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1 | THE COURT: Bring our jurors in.

2 How is the chair doing today?

THE WITNESS: Much improved.

(Jury present)

THE COURT: Good morning, ladies and gentlemen.

Please be seated.

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This morning's experience just goes to show that we're all subject to the human condition, including judges who can get bad colds, so I apologize for the scratchy voice, but we're back in action.

And Mr. Engles, the Court reminds you that you are still under oath. And Mr. Goldman, you may inquire.

MR. GOLDMAN: Thank, your Honor.

GREGG ENGLES,

called as a witness by the Government,

having been previously sworn, testified as follows:

DIRECT EXAMINATION (Continued)

BY MR. GOLDMAN:

- Q. Good morning, Mr. Engles.
- A. Good morning.
- 21 | Q. Before I return to where we left off yesterday, I wanted to
- 22 | go back to one thing that you testified earlier in your
- 23 | testimony. You were discussing about the fact that you
- 24 reviewed the Dean Foods board minutes prior to your testimony

25 here.

- 1 Did you review those minutes on your own?
- 2 | A. Yes, I reviewed them on my own.
- 3 Q. Why did you review the board minutes prior to testifying
- 4 here today?
- 5 A. Well, these events span a long period of time, some number
- 6 of years, and they happened between five and 10 or 11 years
- 7 ago. So, I needed to review the minutes to be able to testify
- 8 accurately, and refresh my recollection.
- 9 Q. Were there things about that time period that you did
- 10 | remember without reviewing the minutes?
- 11 A. Certain things, yes.
- 12 Q. How did the minutes help you clarify your recollection?
- 13 A. Well, they helped me put things in order and they clearly
- 14 refreshed my recollection for some things that I did not
- 15 remember.
- 16 | Q. Yesterday we ended the day by discussing the special
- 17 | dividend that Dean Foods distributed to its shareholders in
- 18 | early 2007. Do you remember that?
- 19 A. Yes, I do.
- 20 | Q. Can you remind the jury what Dean Foods did with that
- 21 | special dividend?
- 22 | A. Dean Foods paid to its shareholders \$15 for each share that
- 23 the shareholder held.
- 24 | Q. Prior to issuing that special dividend, did you discuss
- 25 | this transaction with the board?

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- 1 | A. Yes, I did.
- Q. We can pull up Government Exhibit 408 which have been entered into evidence yesterday.
  - And where we left off with the cliffhanger was the question of whether Tom Davis was at this board meeting on February 12, 2007.
  - A. The minutes indicate that he was, yes.
  - Q. If we can go to the bottom of page two, please. It says there, II Special Dividend. Had you provided the board with materials about this proposed special dividend prior to the
- 12 A. Yes, I had.

meeting?

- 13 Q. Did the board approve the dividend at this meeting?
- 14 A. I don't recall.
- Q. Did there come a time in February of 2007 when the board did approve the issuance of the special dividend?
- 17 A. Yes, the board did approve the issuance of the dividend.
- MR. GOLDMAN: If we can pull up Government Exhibit

  701-B for the witness.
- 20 Q. Mr. Engles, do you recognize this document?
- 21 | A. Yes, I do.
- $22 \parallel Q$ . What is it?
- A. This is a press release issued by Dean Foods on March 2nd, 2007.
- MR. GOLDMAN: Government offers Exhibit 701-B.

1	MR. BERKE: No objection.		
2	THE COURT: Received.		
3	(Government's Exhibit 701-B received in evidence)		
4	MR. GOLDMAN: If we can publish that for the jury.		
5	Q. Can you read the		
6	THE COURT: Okay. Do you have it, ladies and		
7	gentlemen?		
8	A JUROR: No, sir.		
9	THE COURT: Okay.		
10	A JUROR: We do now.		
11	THE COURT: Great.		
12	Q. If you can read the first sentence of the third paragraph.		
13	A. "The special dividend declared by Dean Foods' board of		
14	directors is payable on April 2nd, 2007, to shareholders of		
15	record as of March 27, 2007."		
16	Q. What does that mean in terms of the actual distribution of		
17	the special dividend?		
18	A. Well, it means that the money was deposited into the		
19	accounts of shareholders on April 2nd. And that the		
20	shareholders who got that money on April the 2nd, were the		
21	official shareholders, the shareholders of record as of		
22	March 27, 2007. So if you sold your shares, for example, after		
23	March 27, you would receive the dividend, but if you sold them		
24	prior to March 27, you would not.		

If you -- sorry. Can you explain that? If you sold your

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- 1 | shares after March 27, would you still get the dividend?
  - A. As long as you owned them on the 27th, yes.
- Q. Understood. Were there tax consequences to shareholders
- 4 who received this dividend?
  - A. Yes, there were.
- 6 Q. How was it treated?
- A. Dividends are taxable income if you're a taxpayer who pays tax. Pension funds and non-profit organizations that own these

10 MR. GOLDMAN: We can take this exhibit down.

shares would not necessarily be taxed on them.

THE COURT: I don't want to get you on a big detour, but can you briefly explain why a public corporation would borrow \$2 billion in order to pay a dividend to shareholders?

THE WITNESS: Yes. The basic idea is that the corporation has a lot of borrowing capacity that is unused. And shareholders generally appreciate having that capital to make other investments with, rather than continuing to — instead of having to sell shares, they keep the number of shares, but the dividend allows them to invest in other things that they might want to invest in.

THE COURT: Thank you.

- Q. When you say "capital," what do you mean?
- 23 | A. Money.
- Q. Do you recall what happened to the stock price after this dividend was announced on March 2?

- 1 A. The stock price went up following the announcement.
- Q. What happened to the stock price after the distribution of
- 3 | the special dividend on April 2?
- 4 A. The stock price went down in about the amount of the
- 5 | dividend.
- 6 Q. After you distributed this dividend, what happened to the
- 7 cost of milk during the rest of 2007?
- 8 A. The cost of milk during the balance of 2007 rose
- 9 significantly.
- 10 | Q. Remind the jury how important the cost of milk was to Dean
- 11 | Foods' bottom line?
- 12 | A. It was the most important part of our cost structure.
- 13 | Q. Yesterday you also mentioned a couple of other important
- 14 costs, including fuel, diesel fuel and resin. What happened to
- 15 | those costs during the course of 2007?
- 16 | A. My recollection is that they began to rise pretty
- 17 | significantly as well.
- 18 | Q. Is there a term that's generally used for costs like fuel
- 19 and resin in the industry?
- 20 A. Input costs or commodity costs.
- 21 | Q. How did each of the increase in those costs affect Dean
- 22 | Foods' performance during the year 2007?
- 23 | A. They made our challenges significantly higher during the
- 24 | year. So, our performance declined during the back half of
- 25 | 2007.

- Q. Was that something that you anticipated at the time that you borrowed the money to make the special dividend?
  - A. No.

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- MR. GOLDMAN: If we can pull up Government Exhibit 701-F for the witness, please, and zoom in on the top third.
- Q. What is this document, Mr. Engles?
- A. This is a press release issued by Dean Foods on October 2.

MR. GOLDMAN: The government offers Exhibit 701-F.

MR. BERKE: No objection.

THE COURT: Received.

(Government's Exhibit 701-F received in evidence)

MR. GOLDMAN: If we may publish for the jury.

- Q. What is the headline of this press release?
- A. "Dean Foods reduces earnings expectations."
- Q. Let's talk a second about earnings expectations. What are earnings expectations?
- 17 A. It's a term generally used to describe the market's
- 18 collective belief, sort of the general sentiment of the stock
- 19 market, or the investors in the stock market, as to how a
- 20 company will perform. How much money it will earn in upcoming
- 21 periods.
- 22 | Q. You discussed yesterday that filing of the financial
- 23 performance and the earnings performance. How are earnings
- 24 generally measured to the market?
- 25 A. They're typically measured in dollars and cents per share.

- 1 So, \$1.10 per share of stock that's outstanding.
- Q. Does Dean Foods issue guidance to the market about its expected or anticipated earnings per share?
- 4 A. It typically did, yes.
- Q. Was Dean Foods required to provide guidance about earnings
- 6 per share?
- 7 | A. No.
- 8 Q. Remind the jury what Dean Foods is required to provide to
- 9 | the public?
- 10 A. Dean Foods is required to file with the SEC quarterly and
- 11 annual financial statements, so every three months and at the
- 12 | end of every fiscal year, and those are public documents.
- 13 | Q. When typically did Dean Foods make its quarterly filings?
- 14 A. Usually about five weeks after the end of a quarter.
- 15 Q. Can you just give the jury a sense of the quarters that
- 16 Dean Foods operated on?
- 17 A. Yes. Dean Foods operated on a calendar year. So, our
- 18 quarters would end at the end of March, at the end of June, at
- 19 | the end of September, and at the end of December. And so, our
- 20 | earnings announcements would typically be in early to mid
- 21 | February, early to mid May, early to mid August, and early to
- 22 | mid November.
- 23 | Q. Were those dates of your quarterly earnings announcements
- 24 known to the public?
- 25 A. At some point in time, prior to the earnings announcement

- we would -- we would publish the actual date at which we would release our earnings and have an earnings conference call. But we typically had them about the same time.
  - Q. You were discussing the earnings guidance that you gave to the market. Who pays attention to that earnings guidance?
  - A. Well, I think all of the serious market participants, so, investors, people who either were interested in owning Dean Foods stock or already did own Dean Foods stock, securities analysts who covered our company and wrote research about our company. The market participants, right.
  - Q. Can you explain what a securities analyst is?
  - A. Securities analyst is someone who does research on a particular company, usually a number of companies within a specific industry, like food manufacturing. And they research the factors affecting that company and its performance, and they use that information to develop their own predictions in the future about how that company will perform financially.
  - Q. Did those predictions differ from Dean Foods' own predictions of its earnings performance?
- 20 A. Somewhat.
  - Q. What, if anything, did these analysts publish with regard to their coverage or following of Dean Foods?
  - A. Well, they published research reports regarding the companies that they follow. So if they followed Dean Foods, they would publish reports about Dean Foods. They all had a

- different calendar for publishing reports. Some would issue a
  major report every year or every other year about a particular
  company. But they would almost all write what they called a
  note following the earnings release and the conference call
  that the company would hold in which they would summarize what
  they thought the important takeaways were from the call and the
  earnings release.
  - Q. How, if at all, did these analysts rate the companies that they followed?
    - A. Well, they all have different ratings systems, but they sort of boiled down to three fundamental recommendations: You should sell the stock, if you own the stock you should hold it but you shouldn't buy anymore, or you should buy the stock.
  - Q. Approximately how many analysts covered Dean Foods while you were the CEO?
- 16 A. At any given time about 20.
- Q. Did you read all the reports that the analysts issued about Dean Foods?
- 19 | A. No.

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- Q. You discussed the fact that the analysts would put together reports and issue their expectations. Was there a way that these analysts' expectations were consolidated?
  - A. There were. There are services that compile the list and the specific forecast of each of the analysts that covers a given company, whether it's Dean Foods or IBM. And so if there

- is 20 companies covering Dean Foods, there are companies that
  list the analysts and compile their forecasts and their
  expectations of stock price, and publish those as well.
  - Q. What is that consensus view generally referred to?
  - A. The consensus, the analysts' consensus estimates or consensus price target, depending on what the number they're talking about.
  - Q. Generally speaking, when Dean Foods announced its earning performance, what affect did that have on the stock price?
  - A. It varied from quarter to quarter. It was really never the same.
  - Q. How would it vary? Can you explain to the jury typically how the market would react to Dean Foods' earnings announcements?
    - A. Well, the market looks forward, right. Not in the past.

      So, if the company had done better than the consensus
      estimates, oftentimes investors assumed that would continue and
      your stock would go up because their expectations of future
      performance would go up.
    - If you missed your estimates, the opposite would happen. Often your stock price would go down.
    - If you met earnings estimates, I would say to the extent there is a typical reaction, it would be not so much of a change in the stock price.
  - Q. When you're discussing earnings estimates, are those the

- earnings estimates of the analysts or potentially the
  investors, or are those the earnings expectations or estimates
  of the company?
  - A. It would really be the market's expectations.
- Q. So was it possible that the company would meet its own expectations but that that would not meet the market's expectations or vice versa?
- 8 A. Absolutely.
  - Q. Were there times when you were surprised by how the stock price performed after an earnings announcement?
- 11 | A. Yes.

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- 12 | Q. How might you be surprised?
- A. Well, we might have a great quarter and feel very good
  about the underlying dynamics of our business, we might have
  reported earnings that were in excess of what we had told the
  market to expect, and yet, the stock might go down.
  - MR. GOLDMAN: If we can republish 701-F, Ms. Meister, and zoom in again.
  - Q. So as you said, the headline of this press release is that "Dean Foods reduces earnings expectations." Remind the jury of what the date of this press release is.
  - A. October 2nd. I assume that's 2007.
- Q. Was this announcement provided at the regularly scheduled time when the third quarter performance was routinely
- 25 announced?

- A. No. The third quarter hadn't -- no, the third quarter had ended, but it was about a month before we would normally produce results.
  - Q. Why might you publish to the public earnings expectations a month before they would have been scheduled?
  - A. Well, typically because we felt that the company's performance and what the market believed about our performance that we would report in the future was substantially different.
  - Q. Did the market expect this announcement on October 2?
- 10 | A. No.

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- Q. Was it a surprise to the market when Dean Foods issued this press release about its earnings?
  - MR. BERKE: I would object, your Honor, to "surprise to the market."
    - THE COURT: Well, I'm going to allow that.
- You followed the market, correct, in your stock?
- 17 | THE WITNESS: Yes.
- 18 THE COURT: Okay. You can answer.
- 19 MR. GOLDMAN: I can rephrase, your Honor.
- Q. Was there any forewarning to the market that Dean Foods would be making this press release?
- 22 | A. No.
- Q. At the end of 2007, do you recall what the company's outlook for 2008 was?
- 25 A. It was a difficult outlook.

- MR. GOLDMAN: If we can pull up Government Exhibit 420, Ms. Meister, just for the witness.
- 3 | Q. Do you recognize this document, Mr. Engles?
  - A. Yes.

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November 16, 2007.

- A. These are the minutes of a regularly scheduled quarterly
  meeting of the board of directors of the Dean Foods Company on
- 9 Q. Did you say November 16, 2007?
- 10 | A. Yes.
- MR. GOLDMAN: The government offers Exhibit 420.
- 12 MR. BERKE: No objection, your Honor.
- 13 THE COURT: Received.
- 14 | (Government's Exhibit 420 received in evidence)
- 15 | Q. Was Tom Davis at this meeting?
- 16 | A. Yes.
- 17 MR. GOLDMAN: If you can go to page three,
- 18 Ms. Meister. On the bottom, if we can zoom in on the bottom 19 third.
- 20 Q. It says there "2008 preliminary financial plan summary."
- 21 What is the preliminary financial plan?
- 22 | A. Well, every business has a planning cycle. And at Dean
- 23 Foods, we would prepare our budget, do much of the work to
- 24 establish our budget in the fall for the -- for the coming
- 25 | year. So, in the fall of 2007, we would prepare our basic

- budget for the year 2008. And we would typically present that preliminary plan to our board at the November meeting.
  - Q. Was this only an internal document?
- 4 A. Yes.

- 5 | Q. Was the preliminary plan ever made public in any fashion?
- 6 A. Not to my recollection.
- Q. What do you do with the preliminary plan as you go forward during the year?
- A. Well, we take that preliminary plan, and we update it for how we actually finish the year. So we would have taken that preliminary plan and updated it for how we finished 2007, and that document then would become our budget for -- our official
- budget for the year 2008.
- 14 Q. You were discussing a little bit earlier the earnings
- 15 guidance that you provide to the market. Did there come a time
- during the course of every year when you would provide guidance
- 17 | to the market about the full year's outlook?
- 18 A. Yes. We typically provided guidance about the full year at
- 19 our February earnings conference call. So when we reported the
- 20 prior year's full year results.
- 21 | Q. What was that full year guidance based on?
- 22 A. It was based upon our updated plan, which became our
- 23 | budget.
- 24 | Q. Can you explain how, if at all, the guidance to the market,
- 25 | the full year guidance to the market, related to the internal

- 1 | plan or the annual budget?
- 2 A. Yes. It was based upon the annual budget. Really the
- 3 principal difference was that the budget gave you specific
- 4 | numbers, right, we're going to have this amount of sales and
- 5 this amount of profit and this amount of profit per share. But
- 6 of course, that was a document about trying to predict the
- 7 | future, and you can't predict the future with certainty. So,
- 8 good things can happen to you, bad things can happen to you,
- 9 and so we would typically give guidance that was a range around
- 10 | the numbers produced by the budget. So, if the budget produced
- 11 an earnings per share projection of say a dollar, we might give
- 12 | guidance of 95 cents to \$1.05. We'd give a range around the
- 13 | numbers that were actually produced in the budget.
- 14 | Q. Was that budget something that was otherwise confidential
- 15 | within the company?
- 16 | A. Yes.
- 17 | Q. Around the end of 2007 or early 2008, was there any
- 18 discussion within Dean Foods about a spinoff or other
- 19 separation of WhiteWave from the company?
- 20 A. Not to my recollection.
- 21 Q. Directing your attention to 2008. What, if anything, did
- 22 | you begin to do that changed the direction of the company's
- 23 || strategy?
- 24 A. Well, because of the significant volatility and increasing
- 25 prices for commodities that began in the middle of 2007, we

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- began to accelerate our efforts to actually restructure our business to take out cost, in order to make us more able to weather the storm of volatility that we had started to
- Q. Did there come a time when you met with the board for a two-day strategy planning meeting in early 2008?
- 7 A. Yes, I did.

experience in 2007.

- 8 Q. Do you recall when that was?
- 9 A. I think it was in early February.
- Q. Around that time, what was the status of the company's
- increased debt that you had taken in order to pay the special
- 12 | dividend?
- 13 A. It was starting to create problems for us.
- Q. In February 2008, what action, if any, did you take to try
- 15 | to reduce that debt?
- 16 A. I believe that we took the opportunity to sell stock to the
- 17 public to raise cash.
- 18  $\parallel$  Q. What is that called?
- 19 A. It would be called a stock offering or a public offering.
- 20 | Q. How would a stock offering reduce the debt?
- 21 A. Well, we would sell a share of stock to an investor in
- 22 | exchange for cash, and we would use that cash to pay down the
- 23 | balances of our debt.
- 24 | Q. Does the board of directors need to approve something like
- 25 | this stock offering?

- 1 | A. Yes.
- Q. Would internal discussions about this stock offering be
- 3 | considered confidential material?
  - A. Yes.

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- 5 MR. GOLDMAN: If I can go to Government Exhibit 1900 6 for the witness.
- 7 Q. Do you recognize what this document is, Mr. Engles?
- A. Yes, it's an e-mail from Carolyn Boulet who I believe was
  my assistant at the time, dated February 19, 2008.
  - Q. Was this e-mail sent to you as well?
- 11 A. Yes, it was.
- MR. GOLDMAN: The government offers Exhibit 1900.
- MR. BERKE: No objection, your Honor.
- 14 THE COURT: Received.
- 15 (Government's Exhibit 1900 received in evidence)
- 16 MR. GOLDMAN: If we can publish that for the jury.
- Q. Mr. Engles, if you can read the first significant sentence after "good morning."
- A. "I would like to check your availability for a possible board call on Wednesday, February 27, to approve the 10-K and
- 21 the equity offering."
- Q. Would board members likely have known about this potential
- 23 | equity offering before you sent this e-mail?
- 24 | A. Yes.
- 25 | Q. Was there subsequently a meeting of the board of directors

- to approve the equity offering? 1
  - I believe so, yes. Α.
- 3 Were there some board members with whom you met outside of
- 4 the ordinary course of board meetings?
- 5 Α. Yes.

- Typically, who did you meet with on a regular basis, 6
- 7 somewhat regular basis?
- 8 A. Well, depending upon the issue, I met with all of my
- 9 directors on a one-on-one basis outside of the context of a
- 10 meeting. But, there were three directors who lived in Dallas,
- 11 Texas, who I had the occasion to see more often.
- 12 easier, they were there, and they were individuals whose
- 13 opinions I valued.
- 14 Who were they? Q.
- 15 Α. It would be John Muse, Jim Turner, and Tom Davis.
- MR. GOLDMAN: If we can pull up Government Exhibit 21 16
- 17 for the witness.
- 18 Do you recognize that individual?
- That's John Muse. 19 Α.
- 20 MR. GOLDMAN: Government offers Exhibit 21.
- 21 MR. BERKE: No objection, your Honor.
- 22 THE COURT: Received.
- (Government's Exhibit 21 received in evidence) 23
- 24 MR. GOLDMAN: If we may publish.
- 25 What was John Muse's background?

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- A. John Muse was the principal and founder of a private equity
  firm in Dallas, originally called Hicks Muse.
  - MR. GOLDMAN: If we can pull up Government Exhibit 20 for the witness.
    - O. Who is this individual?
  - A. Jim Turner.
    - MR. GOLDMAN: Government offers Exhibit 20.
- 8 MR. BERKE: No objection.
  - THE COURT: Received.
- 10 (Government's Exhibit 20 received in evidence)
- 11 MR. GOLDMAN: If we may publish.
- 12 | Q. What was Jim Turner's background?
- 13 A. Jim Turner was an individual who was primarily in the soft
- 14 drink, soda bottling, and branding industry. He had owned his
- 15 companies together with John Muse and his firm, some of his
- 16 companies. And he was a food executive and investor.
- 17 | Q. To your knowledge, were John Muse, Jim Turner and Tom Davis
- 18 | all friends as well?
- 19 A. Yes.
- 20 | Q. If you were considering a significant financial matter or
- 21 | transaction for the company, were there particular board
- 22 members that you sought advice from?
- 23 | A. There were particular members who had expertise in that
- 24 | area, and yes, I would tend to seek their advice.
- 25 | Q. Who were they?

- A. They would have been John Muse, clearly; Tom Davis; Steve

  Green to some extent; Jim Turner to some extent.
- 3 Q. I think you mentioned yesterday that Tom Davis had an
- 4 investment banking background. How did you come to meet Tom
- 5 Davis yourself?
- 6 A. Gosh, I don't remember exactly. But, I was a young man
- 7 getting started in my career in Dallas, and trying to buy
- 8 companies and raise funds to make investments, and I believe I
- 9 | met Tom in that context.
- 10 | Q. In the context of him being an investment banker?
- 11 | A. Yes.
- 12 | Q. And you raising money?
- Did you become friends with Tom Davis?
- 14 A. Yes, I did.
- 15 | Q. How frequently would you see Tom Davis outside of board
- 16 | meetings?
- 17 A. Several times a year.
- 18 | Q. In what context might you see him?
- 19 | A. Well, I might see him out having dinner when I was out
- 20 | having dinner. I might schedule a time or he might schedule a
- 21 | time to have breakfast or lunch together. We played golf
- 22 together.
- 23 | Q. Did there ever come a time when you played in a charity
- 24 golf tournament that he organized?
- 25 | A. I did, yes.

- 1 | Q. What was that called?
- 2 A. I don't remember exactly.
- 3 | Q. Where was the tournament located?
- 4 A. It was held at Preston Trail Golf Club.
- 5 | Q. When you met with Tom Davis for breakfast or lunch or
- 6 played golf with him, was it typical for you to discuss Dean
- 7 | Foods' business?
- 8 | A. It was not unusual.
- 9 Q. Sometimes would those matters include confidential issues
- 10 | within Dean Foods?
- 11 | A. Yes.
- 12 | Q. Was it permitted for you to discuss confidential
- 13 | information with Tom Davis about Dean Foods in social
- 14 | situations?
- 15 A. Yes, he was one of my directors.
- 16 | Q. By the middle of March of 2008, what would you have known
- 17 | about the first quarter earnings performance for the company?
- 18 A. Well, I would have known what our performance was in
- 19 | January and February.
- 20 | Q. Would you have known anything about March?
- 21 | A. I might have, I might not have. If I knew something it
- 22 would be more how our sales were.
- 23 | Q. Do you recall whether you met with Tom Davis in the middle
- 24 of March of 2008?
- 25 | A. I do not.

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- If you did meet with him around that time frame, would it 1 have been typical for you to discuss the company's first 2 3 quarter performance? 4 MR. BERKE: I would object, your Honor. The witness 5 does not recall meeting with him. THE COURT: Sustained. 6 7 If I could direct your attention to Government Exhibit What is this document? 8 423-A. 9 These are the minutes of a telephonic meeting of the audit 10 committee of the board of the Dean Foods Company on April 29, 2008. 11 12 MR. GOLDMAN: The government offers Exhibit 423-A. 13 No objection, your Honor. MR. BERKE: 14 THE COURT: Received. 15 (Government's Exhibit 423-A received in evidence) Q. You mentioned yesterday the audit committee. Can you 16 17 explain to the jury what that is? A. The audit committee is the committee of the board that is, 18 19
  - has the duty of overseeing the company's financial systems and its preparation of the financial reports that it is required to file with the Securities and Exchange Commission, and is also responsible in that regard for hiring the company's outside auditors who audit and verify the company's financial statements on an annual basis.
  - Was Tom Davis on the audit committee?

- 1  $\parallel$  A. Yes, he was.
- 2 | Q. Did he attend this meeting?
- 3 A. The minutes reflect that he did not.
- 4 Q. If we can go to the second page of this document. I don't
- 5 know if we published this yet. And highlighting the first
- 6 paragraph there, could you read the sentence that begins with
- 7 | "he began his review."
- 8 A. "He began his review with the first quarter significant
- 9 | items noting that adjusted EPS for the quarter was 23 cents,
- 10 | above the company's previous guidance of 15 to 20 cents."
- 11 | Q. What does that mean for the company's performance for the
- 12 | first quarter?
- 13 | A. It means then we did better than what we had told the
- 14 | market we expected to do, probably on our earnings call in mid
- 15 February.
- MR. GOLDMAN: If we can pull out, Ms. Meister, and
- 17 | zoom in below where it says "outlook."
- 18 | Q. At the end of this paragraph, can you read the last
- 19 sentence -- let me take a step back.
- 20 Who is Mr. Callahan who is referenced here?
- 21 A. Mr. Callahan was our chief financial officer.
- 22 | Q. What is a chief financial officer?
- 23 A. He's the executive in charge of the finance activities of
- 24 | the company, from managing our balance sheet, amount of debt,
- 25 those sorts of things that we had, and also preparing the

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- 1 | company's financial statements.
  - Q. Can you read the last sentence here.
- 3 A. "He stated that second quarter guidance would be adjusted
- 4 earnings per share of between 26 and 31 cents."
- Q. When did you release the earnings performance for the first quarter?
- 7 A. It would have been shortly after this audit committee call.
  - Q. Typically, how long before the earnings announcement did
- 9 | the audit committee meet?
- 10 A. A day or two.
- 11 Q. If I can direct your attention to Government Exhibit 1907,
- 12 | please. Zoom in on the top half to include everything,
- 13 | including below.
- 14 What is this document, Mr. Engles?
- 15  $\parallel$  A. This is an e-mail from me to Tom Davis dated June 11, 2008.
- 16 MR. GOLDMAN: Government offers Exhibit 1907.
- 17 MR. BERKE: No objection, your Honor.
- 18 THE COURT: Received.
- 19 | (Government's Exhibit 1907 received in evidence)
- 20 MR. GOLDMAN: If we may publish, please.
- 21 | Q. I want to focus your attention on the second line of your
- 22 | e-mail to Mr. Davis. And if you can read beginning "by the
- 23 | wav."
- 24 | A. "By the way, we are having a great quarter, already at 25
- 25 cents through two months, and guided to 26 to 31 cents."

- Q. Can you explain what you meant by already at 25 cents through two months?
- A. Well, by this date, we would have closed the months of
- 4 April and May, and so I would have had those results. And so
- 5 the earnings per share of the company in April and May would
- 6 have totaled 25 cents.
- Q. Within Dean Foods, would you calculate earnings per share on a monthly basis?
- 9 | A. Yes.
- 10 | Q. Then when you say guided to 26 to 31, what did that mean?
- 11 A. That's what we told the market to expect in our earnings
- 12 conference call that would have preceded this quarter, so it
- 13 | would have been in early May of 2008.
- 14 | Q. Was that the same guidance that you read in the earlier
- 15 | board minutes that Jack Callahan discussed?
- 16 | A. Yes.
- 17 Q. At this rate of performance, 25 cents through two months,
- 18 where in relation to your guidance did you expect the second
- 19 | quarter performance to be?
- 20 A. We expected it to be at or above the top end of this range.
- 21 | Q. Was this information about the second quarter earnings
- 22 performance confidential, non-public information?
- 23 | A. Yes.
- 24 | Q. If you or a board member had shared that information with
- 25 someone outside of Dean Foods, would that have been a breach of

- 1 the duties and obligations of that individual?
- 2 | A. Yes.
- 3 | Q. When did the second quarter end?
- 4 A. On June 30.
- 5 Q. When would the second quarter earnings usually be announced
- 6 to the market?
- 7 A. In August.
- 8 MR. GOLDMAN: If I can pull up Government Exhibit
- 9 | 702-L, please.
- 10 | O. What is this document?
- 11 A. This is a press release issued by Dean Foods Company on
- 12 | June 25. 2008, I presume.
- MR. GOLDMAN: The government offers exhibit 702-L.
- MR. BERKE: No objection, your Honor.
- 15 THE COURT: Received.
- 16 | (Government's Exhibit 702-L received in evidence)
- 17 | Q. Can you read the headline, please.
- 18 A. "Dean Foods raises second quarter EPS quidance."
- 19 Q. There are two subheads. Could you read those as well.
- 20 | A. "Strong performance leads to increased forecast; continued
- 21 | strong cash flows. Company plans to issue a full earnings
- 22 | release and a webcast conference call on August 6, 2008."
- 23 | Q. What is that in reference to the webcast and conference
- 24 | call on August 6, 2008?
- 25 A. Well, it was the quarterly conference call that I've

- mentioned several times. Following our earnings release, we would host a telephone conference call that was webcast, so anybody with a computer could listen to it, in which we would go over the figures that we had released in our financial statements and our press release and then give usually securities analysts the opportunity to ask us questions about the company's performance.
- Q. Can you read the first paragraph, please.
  - A. "Dean Foods Company today announced that results for the second quarter ending June 30 are expected to exceed the company's previously issued guidance of 26 to 31 cents per diluted adjusted share. The company now expects adjusted diluted earnings as defined below for the second quarter to be at least 32 cents per share."
    - Q. Prior to June this June 25 press release, had Dean Foods indicated to the market that it would be making a press release about its second quarter earnings?
  - A. Not to my recollection.
- Q. Let's move on to the rest of 2008. How was the company's performance?
  - A. The company's performance got increasingly better as we went through 2008.
  - MR. GOLDMAN: If I could pull up Government Exhibit 427-A for the witness, please.
    - Q. What is this document?

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These are the minutes of a telephonic meeting of the audit committee, so the regular audit committee meeting before our earnings the Dean Foods Company held on November 3, 2008. (Continued on next page) 

- 1 MR. GOLDMAN: The government offers Exhibit 427A.
- No objection, your Honor. 2 MR. BERKE:
- 3 THE COURT: Received.
- 4 (Government's Exhibit 427A received in evidence)
- 5 MR. GOLDMAN: You may publish it, Ms. Meister. Now,
- 6 if you could highlight the overview portion of this document,
- 7 Ms. Meister.
- Q. And if you could see -- if you could read where -- the 8
- 9 second sentence beginning, "Mr. Callahan."
- 10 "Mr. Callahan noted that adjusted earnings per share
- 11 increased 100 percent compared to the third quarter of 2007 to
- 12 \$0.28, which was within the company's guidance range of \$0.26
- 13 to \$0.31."
- 14 And read the next sentence, please.
- 15 Α. "He noted that Wall Street's consensus was EPS of \$0.31 for
- the third quarter." 16
- 17 Now, how did you view the earnings performance of \$0.28 per
- share? 18
- 19 I thought it was solid performance.
- 20 But how did it compare to the consensus expectations? Ο.
- 21 It was below the consensus expectations. The analysts had
- 22 focused around the top end of our range.
- 23 Q. Notwithstanding the fact that your guidance was below the
- 24 expectations, how did you feel about the direction of the
- 25 company at that time?

- 1 A. I thought we were in a pretty sound period of performance.
- 2 Q. And as the year 2008 finished, how was the company's
- 3 performance in the fourth quarter of that year?
- 4 A. My recollection is that it was good.
- Q. And as of early February 2009, did you expect to have a
- 6 good year for the remainder of 2009?
- 7 A. Yes. No prices had started going down in mid to late 2008
- 8 and we were going to continue going down in 2009, and that was
- 9 usually a good sign for the company's performance.
- 10 Q. At this point in early 2009, was there any internal
- 11 discussion to split off WhiteWave?
- 12 A. Not to my recollection.
- 13 | Q. Did there come a time in 2009 when Dean Foods acquired
- 14 another company?
- 15 | A. Yes.
- 16 Q. What company?
- 17 | A. We acquired a company called the Alpro Company in Belgium.
- 18 | Q. What was Alpro?
- 19 A. Alpro was a business that was much like our Silk business.
- 20 | It was plant-based milks and yogurts but it was based in
- 21 | Europe, not the United States.
- 22 | Q. And is this type of acquisition something that you would
- 23 | have discussed with the Dallas members of the board prior to
- 24 | doing it?
- 25 A. I would have discussed it with all members of the board

- 1 prior to doing it.
- 2 Q. How did you believe that this purchase would have impacted
- 3 | the company's performance?
- 4 A. Well, I believed it was an important strategic step for
- 5 Dean Foods. It made us the global leader in these alternative
- 6 milks.

- Q. Did the market react in sync with that view?
- 8 A. No, they did not.
- 9 Q. In what segment did you place this Alpro unit?
- 10 A. We put it in the WhiteWave business unit.
- 11  $\square$  Q. Why was that?
- 12 A. Because it was a company like the WhiteWave companies and a
- 13 | brand like the WhiteWave brands and it was to be managed in a
- 14 | similar way, and it was the appropriate price -- place for it
- 15 | to be owned.
- 16 Q. How was the company's performance during the remainder of
- 17 | 2009?
- 18 A. I think that 2009 started off very strong, and it weakened
- 19 as we got to the back half of 2009 because milk prices -- it
- 20 became evident that milk prices were going to rise and maybe
- 21 started rising in the back half of 2009.
- 22 | Q. And when during the year in 2009, approximately, did you
- 23 purchase Alpro?
- 24 A. It was in June or July.
- 25 | Q. Now, toward the end of 2009, given your excellent

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- 1 performance, how did the stock perform as the year went on?
- 2 A. I think the stock performed relatively poorly or the stock struggled in the back half of 2009.
  - Q. Toward the end of 2009, what, if any, consideration did you give to the possibility of a separation of WhiteWave?
    - A. We began to consider it.
  - Q. Why did you begin to consider that possibility?
    - A. WhiteWave was becoming really the engine of profit and sales growth for the company. It was a very strongly performing company. And we were at the early stages in the stock market of the market recognizing and beginning to value highly these new food companies, food companies that made organic products, food companies that made new and innovative food products, and we believed or began to believe at that

point in time that the market was not giving us credit for the

MR. GOLDMAN: If I could show the witness Government Exhibit 437, please.

value of WhiteWave in Dean Foods' stock price.

- 19 Q. What is this document?
  - A. These are the minutes of a special meeting of the Dean Foods Board of Directors held on December 14, 2009.
- 22 MR. GOLDMAN: The government offers Exhibit 437.
- 23 MR. BERKE: No objection, your Honor.
- 24 THE COURT: Received.
- 25 (Government's Exhibit 437 received in evidence)

1 BY MR. GOLDMAN:

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- Q. And you mentioned this was a special meeting. What was the purpose of calling this special meeting?
  - A. Well, it's to discuss important matters that we didn't want to wait to discuss until our March meeting at the board. So --
  - Q. And if we could go to page 2.

Was one of those considerations -- was one of those topics portfolio considerations to enhance shareholder value?

A. Yes.

- Q. What did you mean -- what does the term "shareholder value" or "enhancing shareholder value" mean?
- A. Well, enhancing shareholder value is the fundamental activity of corporations, trying to make their share price go up.
- Q. And in the first paragraph, there is a reference in the second sentence to Mr. Magro.

Who was Mr. Magro?

- A. Mr. Magro was -- is an investment banker who over much of Dean Foods' history and development was an important advisor to the company.
- Q. What is an investment banker?
- A. An investment banker is an individual in investment banks or firms that help companies raise money for purposes of using in their business. They assist companies in transactions, whether those are purchases of companies or sales of businesses

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- or sales of the firm itself, those sorts of strategic activities.
  - Q. What, if anything, had you asked Mr. Magro to prepare for the board at this special meeting?
    - A. I had asked him to prepare an analysis of a number of things that we considered doing in order to cause the market to more fully appreciate the value of the business that we had at Dean Foods.
  - Q. What were those types -- we can leave that up, actually.
- 10 What were the types of things that Mr. Magro presented on?
- 11 A. I believe that we considered the sales of businesses. I
- 12 | believe that we considered separating WhiteWave from the milk
- business from what we called FDD. We considered things that we
- 14 | might do to make our debt situation more stable in the short
- 15 | run.
- 16 Q. Was this the first time that you presented to the board
- about the possibility of separating WhiteWave?
- 18 A. I believe so, yes.
- 19 Q. Ultimately, what, if anything, did the board resolve about
- 20 these various alternatives?
- 21 A. They didn't resolve anything at this meeting other than
- 22 | based on the material presented to them, they did not believe
- 23 | it was the appropriate time to take any action with respect to
- 24 | these items.
- MR. GOLDMAN: We can take that down now.

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- Q. After this December 2009 meeting, where did the possibility of a spin-off stand?
  - A. It was -- it was not an active topic of discussion after -- at least for the board after this meeting.
    - Q. At the beginning of 2010, how was the performance of the company?
    - A. The company was struggling in the beginning of 2010.
  - Q. During that quarter, did you have additional discussions with bankers about a potential spin-off or separation of
- 10 | WhiteWave?
- 11 A. Yes, we did.
- Q. And if the board had previously decided not to move forward with it, why did you continue to consider it?
- A. Well, one of the principal reasons in late 2009 that we did -- that the discussions ended early with the board, we did not move forward, is that the financial markets were such that raising the money necessary to separate the businesses -- so new indebtedness for WhiteWave and restructuring the indebtedness of Dean Foods -- would have been a very expensive proposition given the nature of the debt markets. They were
- Q. And what had happened -- what happened in the first quarter that changed that situation?

very unsettled in that part of the financial crisis.

A. Well, the financial markets began to improve and get their footing, get more stability, and the cost of raising the

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- financing necessary to effect a separation began to decline pretty meaningfully.
- 3 MR. GOLDMAN: If I could show the witness Government 4 Exhibit 1912B?
  - Q. What is this document, Mr. Engles?
  - A. This is an email from Steve Kemps, who is the general counsel of Dean Foods, to the Board of Directors, including me, dated March the 11th, 2010.
  - Q. And what was the subject of this email?
  - A. The subject is J.P. Morgan research note on Dean Foods.
- 11 MR. GOLDMAN: The government offers 1912B.
- MR. BERKE: No objection, your Honor.
- 13 THE COURT: Received.
- 14 (Government's Exhibit 1912B received in evidence)
- 15 BY MR. GOLDMAN:
- 16 | O. What was this email in reference to?
- A. This email was in reference to an analyst report that the

  JPMorgan analyst Terry Bivens had issued following a visit that
- we had made to Boston to meet with large investors who either
- 20 owned or were interested in owning Dean Foods' stock.
- 21 Q. Now, did you regularly have meetings with large investors,
- 22 such as this one?
- 23 A. Occasionally. Once or twice a year we would have what's
- 24 called a road show to go to Boston and usually New York to meet
- 25 | with big investors.

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- Q. What was the company's purpose for meeting with large investors?
  - A. Well, they were the biggest owners of our stock and the biggest potential buyers of our stock, and we met with them in order that they might have the opportunity to ask questions they had about the business and more fully understand why Dean
  - Q. Now, typically when during a quarter would you meet with large investors?

was an attractive investment.

- A. We limited our meetings with large investors to that period of time not too long after our earnings announcement, because we had communicated publicly the most recent results of the business and we were not so far into the next quarter that we would have too much insight into that quarter's performance. So it was a comfortable time to meet with investors and answer their questions.
- Q. Were there times of the year or quarters when you were not permitted, either by company policy or otherwise, to speak to investors or analysts?
- A. Yes. We had what we called a trading window that was announced when it opened and closed by our general counsel's office. But typically that window would close around the beginning of the third month of a quarter, and it would remain closed until one or two days after our earnings announcements.
- Q. You referenced a trading window. Was this also a time

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1	period when you as CEO were not permitted to speak with
2	investors or analysts?
3	A. Yes.
4	Q. Now, when you met with these investors at a meeting, as is
5	referenced in this email, what information did you provide to
6	the investors?
7	A. Typically, we didn't make a presentation to the investors.
8	It was usually a question-and-answer session. They had
9	typically reviewed our financial statements and filings and our
10	conference call transcripts and analyst reports, and they had
11	their own questions about the business that they wanted us to
12	answer.
13	Q. What information were you permitted to give to them?
14	A. Information that was public, or publicly available.
15	THE COURT: All right. Pause.
16	We are going to take a ten-minute break, ladies and
17	gentlemen. Do not discuss the case among yourselves or with
18	anyone. We'll be back in action in ten minutes. Thank you.
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(Jury not present)
THE COURT: Please be seated. I have a note, which
I've marked as Court Exhibit 2, from Juror No. 16, an alternate
juror. Also, she had in jury selection the juror number 49.
She lives in Tappan, New York, and she indicated that

on March 22nd, at 5:15, she has a doctor's appointment, and there is more detail in here about the medical situation that you can read. But she is asking that she be dismissed at 3 p.m., which obviously means that we would not sit after 3 p.m.

Take a look at it and you will let me know what your position is on it. I am inclined to honor the request.

See you in ten minutes.

I should say the other alternative would be to dismiss the alternate juror. That is another possible option.

MR. FERRARA: Your Honor, I don't mean to curry favor with the Court but I have hundreds of cough drops, if you would like one.

THE COURT: The Court does not accept gratuities from the parties, and my deputy has supplied me. I plowed through this bag but we have backups. Thank you very much.

MR. FERRARA: OK.

(Recess)

THE COURT: All right. Bring our jurors in, please.

25 We will discuss it later.

1 MR. GOLDMAN: The witness is coming right in. 2 THE COURT: What is the position of the parties on the 3 juror's doctor's appointment? 4 MR. GOLDMAN: Your Honor, our view is that we really 5 don't want to lose any more time given how much we have been losing. We have six alternates and we would be fine excusing 6 7 her now. The defense made the suggestion, which we think is reasonable, that we can wait until Monday to make sure jurors 8 9 are coming back, if that's something the Court wants to do, but 10 we do not want to lose the time. 11 THE COURT: That's a good suggestion from both sides 12 and I'm going to follow that. Good. 13 MR. SCHOMAN: Your Honor, we would have no objection 14 to telling the juror that she will be able to get to the doctor 15 on Wednesday. 16 THE COURT: Yes. Thank you. 17 (Continued on next page) 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25

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THE COURT: All right. Please be seated.

Juror No. 2 -- not Juror No. 2, Juror No. 16, the answer to your question is yes.

One message I have to give you is jurors are not permitted in the courthouse cafeteria, which is reserved so that the attorneys can meet in private with their clients, etc. So, unfortunately, you may not use the 8th floor cafeteria.

All right. Mr. Goldman, you may continue.

MR. GOLDMAN: Thank you, your Honor.

BY MR. GOLDMAN:

Q. Mr. Engles, before we broke, we were discussing your meeting with some large investors in Boston in March of 2010.

Was this meeting widely disseminated to the public?

- Α. No, it was not.
- Now, during these meetings with investors that you have been describe, did you ever give or provide them with material confidential information about the company that was not otherwise available to the public?
- Not to my recollection.
  - If you had provided information such as that, what did the security laws require you to do?
  - They would have required us to file what's called an 8K, which would be a public filing that acknowledges that we gave information that was previously not available to the public and

- describing what that information was so it would be available to the public.
  - Q. Did Dean Foods, under your leadership, ever file an 8K to remedy an improper disclosure?
    - A. Not to my recollection.
    - Q. Did you ever meet with an individual named Billy Walters about Dean Foods?
      - A. No.
      - MR. GOLDMAN: Now, if we can pull up Exhibit 1912B on page 2. And go to the paragraph at the bottom, which is entitled "WhiteWave."
  - Q. Can you read the last two sentences of this paragraph, beginning with "We were asked about."
    - A. "We were asked about the possibility of spinning the business out. We reiterated our belief that the platform will continue to post strong double-digit growth and is a valuable asset for the company."
    - Q. Had investors started discussing the possibility of a WhiteWave spin-off with you?
  - A. Well, they had certainly started understanding that
    WhiteWave was an important part of the Dean Foods' portfolio,
    and at this point in time they may have -- well, here it says,
    "We were asked about the possibility of spinning the business
    out." So, yes, by this time we were starting to get questions
    about that.

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- 1 And did you give any indication to these investors at this time that you were in fact analyzing that possibility within 2 3 the company?
  - A. Not to my recollection.
- 5 MR. GOLDMAN: If we could show the witness Government 6 Exhibit 507A.
  - What is this document?
  - This is an email from Carolyn Boulle, who I believe was my assistant at the time, to the Dean Foods Board of Directors regarding a Dean Foods' board call. It is dated April the 1st, 2010.
  - Q. Now, did you instruct Carolyn Boulle to send this email to arrange this board meeting on your behalf?
  - I'm sure I did. Α.
    - MR. GOLDMAN: The government offers Exhibit 507A.
- No objection, your Honor. 16 MR. BERKE:
- 17 THE COURT: Received.
- (Government's Exhibit 507A received in evidence) 18
- 19 MR. GOLDMAN: We could publish it.
- 20 And, Mr. Engles, if you could read the second sentence 21 where it begins, "We would like to."
- 22 Α. "We would like to conduct a two-hour telephonic meeting on 23 the afternoon of April 14th to discuss strategic alternatives."
- 24 What did you mean by "strategic alternatives"? Ο.
- 25 It really meant that that group of possibilities -- of Α.

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- possible actions that we might take to enhance shareholder value or cause our stock price to go up. And at this point in time it was focused on, or an important element of that would have been the potential separation of WhiteWave and Dean Foods.
- Q. And was that a term that the members of the board would understand?
- I believe so, yes.

We could show Government Exhibit 439 to MR. GOLDMAN: the witness, please.

- Ο. What is this document?
- These are the minutes of a special meeting of the Board of Directors of Dean Foods held on April the 14th, 2010.

MR. GOLDMAN: The government offers Exhibit 439.

No objection, your Honor. MR. BERKE:

Received. THE COURT:

(Government's Exhibit 439 received in evidence)

MR. GOLDMAN: If we may publish it.

- Where did this meeting take place? 0.
- 19 This meeting took place at John Muse's office in Dallas. Α.
- 20 Why not at Dean Foods? 0.
- 21 Board meetings were pretty important and notable events 22 inside the company. Many, many people who worked in our 23 building knew members of the Board of Directors, and if we were 24 to hold a meeting there that was not a scheduled quarterly 25

meeting, it would just cause people to ask a lot of questions

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- that you didn't have to answer if you held the meeting somewhere else.
- 3 | Q. Was Tom Davis present at this meeting?
  - A. Yes, he was.
  - MR. GOLDMAN: And if we could blow up the bottom half, beginning with Project West.
    - Q. What is Project -- what was Project West?
      - A. Project West was the code name given to this project, probably by our investment bankers, in which we considered the separation of WhiteWave from Dean Foods.
      - Q. And if you could read the second paragraph -- sorry, the second sentence, rather, where it begins, "Mr. Engles stated that."
      - A. "Mr. Engles stated that the board had considered a spin-off transaction in December 2009, noting that since then the financial performance of the company had allowed further deleveraging, the capital markets had improved, lower financing costs were available, and that WhiteWave's performance had been improving."
  - Q. Now, what did you mean by "further deleveraging"?
  - A. It just meant that as time had passed from December until April, the company had earned profits which had been used to reduce its debt.
    - Q. And how would that -- how would leverage or deleveraging the company have an impact on the possibility of spinning off

WhiteWave?

- A. Well, companies have a lot of companies have debt on their balance sheet, they borrowed money to finance their operations, and the amount of that debt is important in relation to the earnings of the business so that the business can continue to invest and develop its business. After the dividend, Dean had quite a bit of debt, and it was important that before we could spin off the businesses we got that debt to where it was manageable for when it was divided up among the two companies, WhiteWave and Dean.
- Q. And next you discussed that the capital markets had improved. What did you mean by that?
- A. Well, it's sort of the opposite of what I discussed in relation to your question about 2009. 2009, the markets for banks making loans and the bond market making loans to companies was poor and the interest rates were high. Since that December timeframe the markets had improved so that interest costs were lower and it was possible to conceive getting the bank loans and the bond financing necessary to do this kind of transaction.
  - Q. Can you read the next sentence, please?
  - A. "He also noted that Messrs. Scalzo and McPeak had been enrolled for more time and that many investors had been recommending that the company consider a transaction that would enhance shareholder value."

- 1 | Q. Who were Messrs. Scalzo and McPeak?
- 2 A. Joe Scalzo was a senior executive who had been brought in
- 3 | to really build WhiteWave. He had since moved on up to a more
- 4 senior role in the Dean Foods Company, and Mr. McPeak had
- 5 replaced him as the chief executive -- chief operating
- 6 executive at WhiteWave.
- 7 Q. And then it says that the investors had been recommending
- 8 | that the company do such a thing.
- 9 At this point, do you recall what your response was to
- 10 | investors making such a recommendation to you?
- 11 A. I think at this point in time it was still the response
- 12 | that we gave in 2009 when we visited investors, that we as
- Dean's management understood that WhiteWave was a very valuable
- 14 part of our portfolio, that it was growing and should be
- 15 creating value inside of our company, that we were concerned
- 16 | that it was not reflected in our stock price, and -- but that
- 17 | we felt it was creating value for the company.
- 18 | Q. Did you ask Mr. Magro to present at this board meeting?
- 19 | A. I did.
- 20 | Q. And what, generally speaking, if you could summarize what
- 21 he presented?
- 22 | A. He presented, as he almost always did, a series of slides
- 23 | that had a financial analysis of the alternatives that we
- 24 discussed at the meeting.
- 25 | Q. And one of the topics of that analysis was a potential

- 1 | spin-off of WhiteWave?
- 2 A. Yes. It was the principal focus of the meeting.
- Q. And what, if anything, did the board resolve or authorize
- 4 you to do after this meeting?
- 5 A. I believe that the board authorized us to continue to work
- 6 on this project, Project West, to determine if it was feasible.
- 7 Q. Was that the first time that you had asked the board for
- 8 | authority to pursue a spin-off?
- 9 A. To my recollection, yes.
- 10 | Q. And what, if anything, did you do with regard to a
- 11 potential spin-off after getting the board's authorization?
- 12 A. We began to map out the work that needed to be done and
- 13 continued to do analysis with respect to that work.
- MR. GOLDMAN: Now, if I could show the witness
- 15 Government Exhibit 508.
- 16 | O. What is this document?
- 17 A. This is an email from me to Tom Davis, dated April the
- 18 30th, 2010.
- 19 MR. GOLDMAN: The government offers Exhibit 508.
- 20 MR. BERKE: No objection, your Honor.
- 21 THE COURT: All right. Received.
- 22 | (Government's Exhibit 508 received in evidence)
- Q. And if you could read at the bottom where Tom Davis emails
- 24 you at 10:10 a.m.
- 25 A. "Gregg, got your voice message. No problem on the golf

- turning. Let's take care of business first. I will be 1 available on Friday afternoon. Talk soon. 2
- Was Tom Davis often referred to as "TD"? 3
- Almost always. 4 Α.

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- And then what was your response?
- "Thanks, TD. Sorry to cancel on you late." Α.
- 7 MR. GOLDMAN: If we can now pull up Government Exhibit 509. 8
  - What is this document?
- 10 This is an email from me to the Board of Directors, dated 11 April the 30th, 2010.
- 12 MR. GOLDMAN: The government offers Exhibit 509.
- 13 No objection, your Honor. MR. BERKE:
- 14 THE COURT: Received.
- 15 (Government's Exhibit 509 received in evidence)
- What is the subject of this email? 16 Q.
- 17 "Meeting next Friday." Α.
- 18 Can you read the first two sentences of the first 19 paragraph, please?
- 20 "You should have gotten an email from Steve Kemps regarding
- 21 making the audit committee call next week into a full board
- 22 That is driven by an increasingly pessimistic forecast
- 23 from the FDD group regarding their balance of year
- 24 performance."
- 25 Now, why did you want to convert the audit committee

- meeting into a full board meeting? 1
- Well, there was a matter that I felt needed the full 2 Α.
- 3 board's attention and that the full board needed to be aware
- 4 of.
- 5 What was that matter?
- 6 It was the fact that as we reforecasted our business, in
- 7 April our milk business brought forward a very much worse
- projection of their balance -- what they expected to do over 8
- 9 the balance of the year. And that was important in and of
- 10 itself but it was also important for Project West.
- 11 Was that an expected development by the company?
- 12 Α. No, it was not.
- 13 If you could read the first sentence of the second 0.
- 14 paragraph?
- "On next week's call, I want to update the board on this 15
- issue as well as outline its impact on our strategic initiative 16
- 17 discussed with the board a couple of weeks ago."
- 18 Q. And what strategic initiative discussed a couple of weeks
- 19 ago were you referring to here?
- 20 Project West. Α.
- 21 And how would this new information about the company's
- 22 yearly outlook affect the -- affect Project West?
- 23 Well, the expectation that we were going to earn less money
- 24 would have meant that it was more difficult to pay our debts.
- 25 And as we discussed a moment ago, the ability to pay your debts

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- Q. Was any of the information related to the company's performance that you passed on to the board, was that
- 3 information considered to be confidential information?
  - A. Yes, it was.

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- Q. If you could read the second-to-the-last sentence of the second paragraph.
  - A. "I will make an effort to contact each of you by telephone prior to the meeting to give you a brief in-person preview."
  - Q. Did you do that?
- 10 A. I believe I did.
- MR. GOLDMAN: If I can now show the witness Government
  Exhibit 440, please.
- 13 | O. What is this document?
- 14 A. These are the minutes of a special meeting of the board of directors of Dean Foods held on May 7, 2010.
- 16 MR. GOLDMAN: Government offers Exhibit 440.
- MR. BERKE: No objection, your Honor.
- 18 THE COURT: Received.
- 19 (Government's Exhibit 440 received in evidence)
- Q. Was this the full board meeting that you had told the board about the week before in those e-mails?
- 22 | A. Yes, it is.
- 23 Q. Did you discuss the impact of the revised performance for
- 24 Dean Foods on Project West at this meeting?
- 25 A. Yes, I did.

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- Q. What did you relay to the board about the potential impact on Project West?
  - A. I relayed that it would in all likelihood impact the -- our ability to proceed with Project West at this time.

MR. GOLDMAN: If we can move to page two, Ms. Meister.

Blow up the last paragraph that begins with "now therefore."

- Q. If you can read number two in there, please. Beginning "now therefore is resolved" and go to "the second aspect."
- A. "Now, therefore, be it resolved that the board authorized and directs the officers of the company to continue to explore and analyze a potential transaction with respect to the WhiteWave and Alpro businesses, including such additional business preparation, as such officers deem necessary and appropriate, and to report back to the board in due course in relation to the progress of the foregoing transactions."
- Q. Could you explain to the jury in plain English what the board authorized you to do in with that?
- A. This is not plain English, is it. The board authorized us to continue working on this transaction.
- 20 | Q. Did you announce -- we can take that down.

Did you announce first quarter earnings shortly after this meeting?

- A. Yes.
- 24 | Q. How was the first quarter earnings performance?
  - A. I think they were quite poor.

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- Q. Did you indicate to the public the information that you had gotten about the new outlook for the year's financial
- A. I don't recall with specificity, but I can't imagine that
  we did not.
- Q. Generally, how was the news perceived by the public and the market?
  - A. I think they viewed the developments negatively.
- 9 Q. At this point, what was the company's status with the 10 possible spinoff of WhiteWave?
  - A. It was not possible to spin off WhiteWave at this time.
- Q. What, if any, work was the company doing in preparation for such a possibility?
  - A. Well, as the board authorized us, we were continuing to think about if we would spin the company in the future, how would we separate these businesses. So there was overlap between the milk business and WhiteWave in terms of how they were operated, and that had to be unwound if you were to spin, and that was going to take a long time.
  - Q. How did Dean Foods' performance continue during the summer of 2010?
  - A. 2010 was a very difficult year for Dean Foods.
- Q. Did there come a time during the summer of 2010 when the company considered a straight sale of the WhiteWave business?
- 25 A. Yes.

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- Q. Can you explain to the jury what the difference is between a spinoff and a sale?
  - A. Yes. In a sale, if you own something and you sell it, you get money for it, the money is yours to use as you wish, and Dean Foods would have used that money to pay down its debt.

A dividend is more of -- it's not a sale. There is no cash involved. It is the company giving to its shareholders something that they already own, by virtue of owning the shares of that company, but they're just giving it to them separately, whether that's cash or shares of stock of a company, like WhiteWave.

- Q. What would be the tax ramifications of the two different transactions?
- A. A sale would have, from Dean's perspective, a very heavy tax bill. So Dean would have paid a very large amount of tax had it sold WhiteWave to a third party. The spinoff could be organized and arranged in such a way that neither Dean nor its shareholders paid any meaningful tax.
- Q. What was your view about the possibility of a sale of WhiteWave?
- A. I thought it was a terrible idea.
- Q. Were there others in management that thought it was a good idea?
- 24 A. There were some, yes.
  - Q. Did there come a time when the board met in August of 2010

- 1 | and discussed these two alternatives?
- A. Yes, we had a discussion at our August quarterly board meeting.
- Q. What, if anything, did the board decide to do with regard to a discussion about these two alternatives?
- A. The board asked Mr. Magro, who was our advisor, the

  company's advisor, and the management team to more fully

  explore the various alternatives and their ramifications for

  the company, and to report back to the board when that analysis

  was complete.
- 11 | Q. Was the sale of WhiteWave a possibility at this time?
- 12 | A. It was a possibility, yes.
- 13 Q. Was the spinoff a possibility at this time?
- 14 A. No, it was not.
- 15  $\parallel$  Q. Why not?
- 16 A. Too much debt.
- Q. At this point, were investors and analysts continuing to ask you about the possibility of separating WhiteWave from the
- 19 Dean Foods Company?
- 20 | A. Yes.
- Q. Did you have an understanding for why they were focusing on
- 22 | this issue?
- 23 A. Yes. Dean Foods' stock had performed terribly. And yet,
- 24 many investors saw the value, both in our milk business, but
- 25 more importantly in the WhiteWave business. And there was a --

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- investors want their investments to increase in value, they want the stocks they own to go up in price. And there was a strong belief among many in the investment community that the value of WhiteWave was not reflected in Dean Foods' stock price.
  - Q. Did you share that belief?
- A. I did.
- Q. How was the performance of WhiteWave?
- 9 A. WhiteWave performed very well during most of these periods.
- 10 | Q. So why was the stock price so depressed?
- 11 A. Well, WhiteWave was a small part of a very large company.
- 12 | So, WhiteWave had \$2 billion in sales, our milk business was
- 13 over \$10 billion in sales. So it was the proverbial tail
- 14 | wagging the dog, if you will, and that doesn't really happen
- 15 | very often.
- 16 | So, as the milk business went and as investors'
- 17 | concerns about the milk business went, so went Dean Foods'
- 18 stock price. That was just the frustrating reality of the way
- 19 | it was. Particularly as the market was concerned about the
- 20 amount of debt that we had as a company.
- 21 | Q. Did you begin to respond to these questions in public
- 22 | forums?
- 23 | A. I did, yes.
- 24 | Q. Why did you begin to answer these questions substantively
- 25 about the possibility of a separation?

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A. Well, there was a number of reasons. First of all, we were getting a lot of questions about it, and being able to discuss it publicly was the right way to go about it, right, because people had lots of questions and it was — it is awkward when they ask you those questions in private and you haven't addressed it publicly, because you really can't speak about it. So, getting it out into the public domain was an important thing to do.

But, maybe more importantly, our job as management is to be stewards of the investments of people who invest in our company. And it was our firm belief that the market was not appropriately valuing WhiteWave as part of our business, and we felt it was an essential part of our job to highlight the value of that business to the marketplace, so that our shareholders would reap the benefit of the stock reflecting its value.

- Q. Are you familiar with the term "activist investor"?
- 17 | A. Yes.
  - Q. What is an activist investor?
    - A. An activist investor is an investor who doesn't just buy a share of stock and leave it in their brokerage account. They have a point of view or a reason why they believe the stocks they invest in are either over or undervalued, usually undervalued. And they take relatively large stakes in businesses, buy a lot of shares, a large percentage, and then they actively and publicly push management to do the things

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- necessary to make the stock reflect that value for the benefit of shareholders.
  - Q. In light of WhiteWave's excellent performance and the Dean Foods' stock's poor performance, were you concerned at all about an activist investor investing in Dean Foods?
  - A. I thought it was a significant likelihood that an activist would come along. There was so much discussion of the value of WhiteWave within our portfolio, that I felt like it was a matter of time until an investor came along, and I was not enthusiastic about that idea.

How did your views on that idea affect your decision to

- speak publicly about the company's view of WhiteWave's value?

  A. Well, it was part of it. This was a company that I had really started and I had an enormous amount of pride in the value that we had built for our shareholders over time. And it was, it was important to me that at a minimum the market knew that we understood the value of this asset, and that we would be proactive in seeing the value of this asset recognized for the benefit of our shareholders. Effectively, part of the reason, part of the message was, you don't need to come here as an activist, we're already on this issue.
- Q. Can you describe some of the ways that the value of WhiteWave could have ultimately been reflected in the company's decisions or the company's stock price?
- A. Well, we talked a lot about WhiteWave on our earnings

- 1 | calls. And we talked a lot about WhiteWave in our conferences.
- 2 And it was possible that the market would simply pay attention
- 3 to the arguments that we were making about the value of
- 4 WhiteWave, and it would be reflected in Dean's stock going up.
- 5 Q. If that occurred, would you have wanted to do a spinoff of
- 6 | WhiteWave?
- 7 A. Not necessarily.
- 8 Q. Did you regularly speak at conferences, investor
- 9 | conferences?
- 10 A. Yes, we spoke at usually two major conferences a year.
- 11 | Sometimes more.
- 12 | Q. Were these conferences widely disseminated?
- 13 A. Yes, they were.
- MR. GOLDMAN: If I can show Government Exhibit 513.
- 15 | Q. What is this document?
- 16 A. This is the transcript of our presentation at the Barclays
- 17 | Back-to-School Consumer Conference in September of 2010.
- 18 MR. GOLDMAN: The government offers Exhibit 513.
- 19 MR. BERKE: No objection, your Honor.
- 20 THE COURT: Received.
- 21 (Government's Exhibit 513 received in evidence)
- 22 MR. GOLDMAN: If we can turn to page eight of this
- 23 document. I'm sorry, the next page. If we can zoom in on the
- 24 | top half.
- 25 | Q. You're asked a question here that I'd like you to read

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- beginning with -- two questions, but I'd like you to begin "and
  secondly."
  - A. "And secondly, WhiteWave is now about 30-year total" -- the question was "WhiteWave is now about 30 percent of your total earnings and obviously a much higher multiple business than the market is giving you credit for overall. What is the likelihood that you might consider a tax-free spinoff of that
  - MR. GOLDMAN: If we can go to the bottom of the page Ms. Meister.
  - Q. If you could read the last two paragraphs, please.

business to enhance value?"

- A. "As to WhiteWave, look, we are cognizant of where value is in our business. And we have a tradition and a track record of creating long-term value for our shareholders in this business, and we're going to continue to do so.
- "What specific form that might take with respect to our corporate portfolio is something we are not prepared to comment on at this point in time. But, clearly, we have value that we believe is not being recognized in our share price today in our branded business. And I think it's incumbent upon us as a management team to try and find a way to unlock that value for our shareholders over time."
- Q. Thank you. At this time, was Dean Foods pursuing a spinoff of WhiteWave?
- A. Not at this time, no.

- Q. Did you indicate to the market that you intended to pursue a spinoff of WhiteWave?
  - A. No.

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- Q. Did you and the board continue to discuss the possibility of selling WhiteWave?
- A. We did.
  - Q. Through the month of September, is that right?
- A. In the back part of 2010.
  - MR. GOLDMAN: We can take that down, Ms. Meister, and pull up Government Exhibit 516.
  - Q. What is this document?
- 12 A. This is an e-mail from me to Tom Davis or an e-mail string
  13 between me and Tom Davis dated September 27, 2010.
- MR. GOLDMAN: Government offers Exhibit 516.
- 15 MR. BERKE: No objection.
- 16 THE COURT: Received.
- 17 (Government's Exhibit 516 received in evidence)
- MR. GOLDMAN: Ms. Meister, we can blow up the bottom as well. Just the bottom portion.
- Q. I believe this is the e-mail from Tom Davis to you. Can you read it.
- A. "Gregg: Thanks for taking the time to discuss strategic
  alternatives today. I'm convinced we will collectively make to
  right decision." Make the right decision. "There are no easy
  choices, but we will get to an acceptable outcome with hard

- 1 | work and persistence. Thanks for keeping me in the loop. TD."
- 2 Q. Do you recall having a lunch meeting with Tom Davis on
- 3 | September 27, 2010?
- 4 A. Vaguely.

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- 5 | Q. Do you recall whether anyone else was there?
  - A. I believe that the meeting included Jim Turner and John Muse.
    - MR. GOLDMAN: If we can go to the top of this document.
  - Q. Just remind the jury who Jim Turner and John Muse were?
- 11 A. They were both members of the Dean Foods board of directors
- 12 who lived in Dallas.
- Q. Were they experienced in matters of financial
- 14 considerations?
- 15 | A. Yes.
- 16 Q. Can you read your response here.
- 17 A. "You bet TD. Thanks for taking the time to attend. It was
  18 very helpful and my thinking is beginning to coalesce."
- 19 Q. What did you mean that your thinking was beginning to 20 coalesce?
- 21 A. Well, you'll recall that this was after the August board
- 22 meeting at which the board had asked the company and its
- 23 advisors to go work through the various alternatives we had
- 24 discussed at that meeting and report back to the board. We
- 25 were in -- into that work, and my point of view was starting to

- 1 become more firm.
- 2 | Q. What was that point of view, again?
- 3 A. My point of view was very strongly that we should not sell
- 4 WhiteWave.
- 5 Q. Do you recall what the Dallas board members' view -- what
- 6 | their view was as well?
- 7 A. Ultimately all three of those guys were very supportive of
- 8 | not selling WhiteWave.
  - MR. GOLDMAN: If we can show Government Exhibit 445,
- 10 please.

- 11 | Q. What is this document?
- 12 A. These are the minutes of a special meeting of the Dean
- 13 Foods board of directors, held on October 18, 2010.
- MR. GOLDMAN: Government offers Exhibit 445.
- MR. BERKE: No objection, your Honor.
- 16 THE COURT: Received.
- 17 (Government's Exhibit 445 received in evidence)
- Q. What was the purpose of this special meeting on October 18,
- 19 2010?
- 20 | A. The fundamental purpose was to review the analysis that we
- 21 | previously discussed, that the company and its advisors
- 22 prepared regarding various alternatives for dealing with the
- 23 | company's issues.
- MR. GOLDMAN: Have we published it? Okay.
- 25 Q. Was Tom Davis at this meeting?

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- 1 | A. Yes, I believe he was.
- Q. Now, at this point, by October 18 of the year, did you know
- 3 | what the company's third quarter earnings would be?
- 4 A. Yes. We knew the company's third quarter earnings by this time.
  - Q. When would those earnings be announced?
  - A. They would be announced in early November.
- 8 MR. GOLDMAN: If we can turn to page three of this document, Ms. Meister.
  - Q. At the top it says "the business update." How were the third quarter earnings of Dean Foods in 2010?
- 12 A. They were poor.
- Q. If we can go back to page one, there was a reference to a litigation update with some material that was redacted. What
- 15 | did that relate to?
- 16 A. The company had been sued in I believe 2007 and accused of antitrust violations.
- 18 Q. How many lawsuits were there?
- 19 A. I believe ultimately there were five or six.

"redacted" on the document. When documents are produced by an entity in litigation, they are permitted to hold confidential communications typically between an attorney and that attorney's client. That's protected by the attorney-client privilege. So what one would do is to let the person who is

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- getting the document know that there was something there, but
  now it's covered, it's not being shown to you, they would have
  that word "redacted." And that's a very common thing. There's
  text underneath there, but it's been shielded from view in the
- Go ahead, Mr. Goldman.
  - Q. Now, it's only shielded from view in the document, right,
- 8 Mr. Engles? You were there for the conversation?
- 9 A. I was there, yes.
- 10 Q. What did you learn about the time table of this antitrust
- 11 | litigation?

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- 12 A. Well, I don't remember exactly what I learned at this
- 13 meeting. But, the antitrust litigation was a long, drawn-out
- 14 process. And it was at this point in time not close to
- 15 resolution.
- 16 | Q. Had things gone against the company's way as part of that
- 17 | litigation by this point?
- 18 A. Yes. We believed early on that this would be quickly
- 19 resolved and it was not.
- 20 | Q. What affect, if any, would the pending litigation have on a
- 21 possible spinoff of WhiteWave?
- 22 A. It would have made it impossible.
- 23  $\mathbb{Q}$ . Why is that?
- 24 A. Because if we had lost the cases, it would have added even
- 25 more substantially -- substantially more to the debt of Dean

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- Foods to pay any judgment, which would have made it even more unlikely that the spin could happen.
  - Q. Was there uncertainty around that ultimate number?
    - A. Tremendous amount of uncertainty about it.
- Q. How would the public markets and the capital markets respond to such uncertainty?
- 7 A. Negatively.
- Q. What, if anything, did the board decide at this meeting with regard to the sale of WhiteWave?
- 10 A. The board decided at this meeting not to sell WhiteWave at this time.
- Q. What did that mean for the possibility of a spinoff of WhiteWave?
- 14 A. The board specifically decided to preserve the possibility
  15 of spinning WhiteWave off in the future.
- Q. What, generally speaking, at this point, what would have to occur before a spinoff was possible?
  - A. We would have to resolve these lawsuits, either win them or settle them, and we would have to further reduce our indebtedness or our leverage in order to be able to create sound balance sheets for both companies, WhiteWave and Dean Foods.
- 23 MR. GOLDMAN: We can take the exhibit down.
- Q. Now, were these conversations about the litigation, about selling or spinning off WhiteWave, about the third quarter

- earnings at this October meeting, were all of these conversations confidential?
- 3 A. Yes.
- 4 | Q. Was the possibility of a sale or spinoff of WhiteWave
- 5 | material to the company?
- 6 A. Yes.
- 7 Q. If any board member shared any of these internal
- 8 deliberations, would that board member be violating his duties
- 9 and obligations to the company?
- 10 | A. Yes.
- 11 | Q. Now, at this point, how was the fluid milk business doing?
- 12 | A. The fluid milk business at the end of 2010 is struggling.
- 13 | Q. How is WhiteWave doing?
- 14 A. The milk business -- oh, WhiteWave is doing well.
- 15 | Q. But over all, how is the company doing?
- 16 A. Milk business was most of the company, so the company was
- 17 | struggling.
- 18 Q. After this board meeting, how did you resolve to try to fix
- 19 | the milk business?
- 20 A. Our most pressing issue was with our bank lenders, and so,
- 21 | we basically refinanced our debt. We borrowed some money from
- 22 | the bond market, we used that money to pay down our banks.
- 23 | Q. What was your goal in 2011 to fix the balance sheet of the
- 24 | fluid milk business?
- 25 A. The quickest way to fix the balance sheet of the business

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- was to make its earnings go up. So we turned our efforts to cutting costs so we could improve profitability in the milk business.
  - Q. During 2011, was there any internal discussion about pursuing a spinoff of WhiteWave?
- 6 A. Not to my recollection.
- Q. What was the status of the antitrust litigation during the course of the year of 2011?
  - A. Much of the antitrust litigation as we got into the middle and end of 2011 began to be resolved. So we settled the two biggest cases, I believe we settled them both during the second half of 2011.
- Q. As 2011 progressed, how did the performance of the company progress?
  - A. It started to improve. So we cut a meaningful amount of cost out of the business, and that started to show up as profit, and then of course the big driver for our business was always milk prices that had been at very high levels, and they began to show signs that they were going to decline.
  - Q. Did there come a time when you spoke at another conference in February of 2011?
- 22 A. Yes.
- Q. Did you address the issue of separation of WhiteWave at that conference?
- 25 A. Yes, we did. We addressed it in our prepared remarks.

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- 1 MR. GOLDMAN: If we can show the witness Government Exhibit 505. 2
  - What is this document?
  - This is a transcript of our remarks and the Α. question-and-answer session that followed at the Consumer Analyst Group of New York conference.
    - What is that commonly referred to as?
  - Α. CAGNY.
    - MR. GOLDMAN: Government offers Exhibit 505.
- 10 MR. BERKE: No objection, your Honor.
- 11 THE COURT: Received.
- 12 (Government's Exhibit 505 received in evidence)
- 13 MR. GOLDMAN: If we can go to page seven of this 14 exhibit, please. If we can zoom in from where it begins Gregg
- 15 L. Engles.
- Q. Mr. Engles, I think you've testified to this as well, but 16
- by this point in February of 2011, was it your view -- what was 17
- 18 your view about whether WhiteWave and Alpro was properly valued
- in the Dean Foods stock price? 19
- 20 I believed it was not. Α.
- If you could read the third paragraph there, please. 21 Q.
- 22 Α. "Which leads me to a discussion of an issue that investors
- 23 and analysts have historically asked us to address,
- 24 particularly recently, namely, how do we think about our
- 25 options for maximizing shareholder value as it relates to

- 1 WhiteWave-Alpro?"
- Q. Then if you can continue on the second paragraph -- the next paragraph down, please.
- A. "We have and continue to look at this very closely. And I
  think a solid argument can be made that, given the challenges
  we face in FDD Morningstar, the larger of our businesses, that
- 7 the value of WhiteWave-Alpro is not fully reflected in Dean
- 8 Foods' share price.
- 9 Q. You can continue. Well, let me -- the FDD Morningstar
  10 reference, what is that?
- 11 A. That's the milk business.
- 12 | Q. What does FDD stand for?
- 13 A. Fresh dairy direct.

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- 14 | Q. If you can read the next sentence, please.
- A. "With WhiteWave-Alpro's strong brands, attractive

  categories, solid financial performance, and robust growth

  prospects, I think it safe to say that the market would assign

  an independent WhiteWave-Alpro company a significantly higher

multiple than the combined businesses currently receive."

- 20 Q. All right. Now, you then proceed --
  - THE COURT: Just explain what a multiple is.
- 22 THE WITNESS: A multiple is if you have a dollar of
  23 earnings and your stock trades for \$12, the multiple is 12. 12
  24 times the earnings gives you the stock price.
- THE COURT: Thank you.

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- You then proceed to explain the viable alternatives that you see for the company. If you can read the first paragraph that says "first."
- "First, we could sell WhiteWave-Alpro and significantly Α. deleverage the remaining Dean Foods. That would eliminate much of the financial risk associated with our balance sheet and allow us to somewhat accelerate the transformation of our core dairy business. But this strategy comes with significant costs."
- Is this in reference to the sale that the board considered and rejected in October of 2010?
- 12 Α. It is.
- 13 Can you just summarize what you said about the costs of 0. 14 this type of transaction?
  - Α. They're really two. First of all, as I mentioned, we would pay a lot in tax. That money would not go to the shareholders, but to the government.
    - Secondly, WhiteWave-Alpro was our best business. would have sold our best business and kept our worst business, and that just didn't make a lot of sense.
  - Q. What was the bottom paragraph, what was the second viable alternative, if you can read that.
- 23 "Secondly, we could separate our two businesses through a tax-free separation, giving our shareholders two distinct securities, one representing FDD Morningstar and the other

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representing WhiteWave-Alpro. This is both a theoretically and
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      a practically attractive alternative. Each company could find
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      its natural shareholder base, and the two companies, each a
     pure play, could be fairly valued by the market."
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               THE COURT: Stop. Let's take our lunch break.
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               Ladies and gentlemen, remember, don't discuss the case
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      among yourselves or with anyone. Keep an open mind. We'll be
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      back in action at 2 o'clock. Thank you very much.
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               THE COURT: See you after lunch.
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THE COURT: With regard to the analyst reports, it seems to me that there isn't much at the moment that the parties are disagreeing on. It is part of the government's burden to show that the information on which trades were made was both material and nonpublic. The analyst reports certainly can be used for the nonhearsay purpose of showing the fact that a statement was made as bearing on whether or not the information was in fact nonpublic, and I will allow that.

Now, if there is some other purpose at some point in the trial, we can discuss that, but I think that's all you need at the moment for the cross-examination of Engles, unless I am missing something.

MR. FERRARA: This might be question by question. to the extent Mr. Berke plans to ask Mr. Engles to interpret things in the analyst report, we think that is improper and not admissible.

THE COURT: Well, there is a -- I have to say, there is a fine line there. If something is written in jargon, a jargon that this witness speaks, he certainly can testify as to what it says, what it says to a person who read this.

MR. FERRARA: Your Honor, I'm not going to guibble about what sort of a particular word might mean, etc. What we

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are suggesting in our letter is that if it's in black and white in the report, then it is in black and white and it's in the public or it is not, as your Honor had flagged, and that's relevant. But if what the defense wants to do is have

Mr. Engles interpret how investors might have put different information together or interpreted opinions or analysis and then later say I did the same thing, that's back-dooring his testimony. That is not allowing us to test that. So we just want to flag, to the extent we are objecting to questions about interpretation, that's the basis.

THE COURT: Yes. I have to say, I am having a little bit of trouble visualizing what the objectionable question is. Give me a for instance.

MR. FERRARA: Mr. Engles, isn't it true that based on this sentence, etc., etc., in connection with some -- let me say, isn't it true that these two sentences, a reasonable investor would interpret that as a signal that WhiteWave -- that Dean Foods was considering spinning off WhiteWave? That would be objectionable because what is relevant is what Mr. Walters would have understood, and only Mr. Walters is competent to speak to what he understood the language to mean.

THE COURT: Mr. Berke or Mr. Schoman.

MR. SCHOMAN: Yes, your Honor.

Mr. Engles spent the better part of the day already on questioning from Mr. Goldman talking about what the public

would or wouldn't understand from different announcements, and 1 2 all we're trying to do is -- this is basically a conversation 3 between the company and the analysts about whether WhiteWave or other things would or wouldn't happen. And we think it is fair 4 5 game for him to do exactly what your Honor said, which is to say what this is referring to or what this means or what this 6 7 was saying was X. We are not going to be making arguments through Mr. Engles about Mr. Walters' subjective state of mind. 8 9 THE COURT: I think I have to hear the question in 10 context. 11 MR. FERRARA: That's fine, your Honor. We just wanted 12 to flag for the Court what our objection would be. 13 THE COURT: Thank you. 14 Flo, bring our jurors in, if you will. 15 (Continued on next page) 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25

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2 THE COURT: Afternoon, ladies and gentlemen. Please

Mr. Goldman, you may continue.

MR. GOLDMAN: Thank you, your Honor.

## BY MR. GOLDMAN:

- Q. Good afternoon, Mr. Engles.
- A. Good afternoon.
  - Q. We were going through the CAGNY February 2011 conference where you were addressing the possibility of -- or the future strategic alternatives of the company.

MR. GOLDMAN: And if we could pull up Government Exhibit 505 and go to the bottom of page 8. Actually zoom out on it. I think that is the wrong page. Page 7, I believe.

Yes. So we can zoom in.

- Q. And you had just read that last paragraph, but why don't you read the paragraph again for the jury.
- A. "Secondly, we could separate our two businesses through a tax-free separation, giving our shareholders two distinct securities, one representing FDD-Morningstar and the other representing WhiteWave-Alpro. This is both a theoretically and a practically attractive alternative. Each company could find its natural shareholder base, and the two companies, each a pure play, could be fairly valued by the market."
- Q. Now, what do you mean here by "pure play"?

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- A. Well, WhiteWave and Alpro were different businesses, and so when they were in inside one company, the old Dean Foods, I think investors struggled to parse out the two businesses. If you separated them, they became two very clearly different businesses -- a food and milk business in the case of Dean and
  - Q. Now, was the possibility of a spin-off available to the company at this time, in your opinion?
  - A. Not at this time, no.
  - Q. And was Dean Foods pursuing a spin-off at this time?
  - A. Not at this time.
- MR. GOLDMAN: If we could go to the next page,

  Ms. Meister. It continues at the top.
  - Q. If you could read the top paragraph, please.

a branded business in the case of WhiteWave.

- A. "Unfortunately, given Dean's indebtedness today and the recent trajectory of FDD-Morningstar, we've been unable to construct separate balance sheets for the two businesses that each company could support. To do so would require issuing substantial amounts of equity. This would significantly dilute our current shareholders and, again, greatly diminish the value that we're trying to capture. We don't believe such an approach currently makes sense for the company or its stockholders, and are convinced that today it is unnecessary."
- Q. Now, this is obviously a conference for investors who understand some of the complex language here. But could you

- explain for the jury what you mean by construct separate balance sheets for the two companies to support?
- A. Probably the best way to describe it is that if you have one house, you have one mortgage. If you were to take that
- 5 house and subdivide it into two condominiums each owned by
- 6 different people, you would have two mortgages on it. You
- 7 | would separate the debt into two pieces.
- Q. And you say that in order to do this transaction you would
- 9 have to issue substantial amounts of equity. What does that
- 10 mean?
- 11 | A. It means we would have to sell a lot of stock.
- 12 | Q. And it would significantly dilute the current shareholders
- 13 and diminish the value that we're trying to capture. What did
- 14 | you mean by that?
- 15 | A. Well, what I meant was let's say you have a company that
- 16 has a hundred shares of stock. Everybody who owns one share
- 17 | owns one percent of the company. If, however, you need to
- 18 | raise money and you sell another hundred shares of stock to
- 19 | other people, then that one share of stock now only represents
- 20 one half of the company. It is the same company but you have
- 21 spread the ownership out over a larger number of shares.
- 22 | Q. And then the last sentence, you say that you are convinced
- 23 | that today such an approach is unnecessary, is that right?
- 24 | A. Yes.

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Q. Now, you then go on to discuss a third option. Can you

- 1 | just summarize what the third option was?
- 2 A. Leave things the way they are. We're OK. If we leave
- 3 | things the way that they are, perhaps we can improve the
- 4 | situation so we don't have to do those things that I described
- 5 | in the top paragraph and can still spin off WhiteWave if it is
- 6 appropriate at some point in time in the future.
- 7 Q. Finally, if you would just read the next paragraph, "This
- 8 | is the option that we're pursuing today."
- 9 A. "This is the option that we're pursuing today. We may
- 10 pursue another option in the future if circumstances warrant.
- 11 | However, I felt it was important to give you a perspective of
- 12 | the pros and cons of any short-term separation event, with the
- 13 understanding that we continue to evaluate this on a regular
- 14 basis, with an eye towards maximizing shareholder value."
- 15 MR. GOLDMAN: All right. We can take that down now.
- 16 | Q. Had you and the board resolved that you would in fact
- 17 pursue a spin-off of WhiteWave in the future by this time?
- 18 A. No. By this time, no.
- 19 Q. And I believe you touched on this before, but were there
- 20 | other possible ways that shareholders could have received
- 21 proper value for WhiteWave other than a spin-off?
- 22 | A. Again, by our description of the benefits and the
- 23 attractiveness of WhiteWave as a company and its performance,
- 24 | it could have simply been reflected in Dean's share price.
- 25 | Q. Now, Mr. Engles, you've now read from transcripts from two

- investor conferences where you spoke. Who was authorized to 1 2 speak on behalf of the company?
- 3 It was me. Α.
- 4 And who generally made the decision whether and when to Q.
- 5 make information public?
- Α. I did. 6
- 7 Did you -- were board members authorized to speak on behalf
- 8 of the company?
- 9 Generally, no. Α.
- 10 Now, I would like to turn your attention to 2012. Ο.
- 11 Did there come a time when you believed that a
- 12 spin-off of WhiteWave as a viable possibility?
- 13 A. Yes, I did.
- 14 Approximately when? Q.
- 15 It would have been sometime in the late winter or early
- 16 spring of 2012.
- 17 What, if anything, had occurred that made you believe a
- 18 spin-off was possible?
- A. Well, a number of things had occurred. We had won in court 19
- 20 the last antitrust case that remained, and we had settled the
- 21 others. So the court cases that had prohibited us from
- 22 spinning the company had been resolved.
- 23 Secondly, we had been through a year of intensive cost
- 24 cutting that had improved the underlying economics,
- 25 profitability of our business.

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Third, milk prices were coming down, and that is the most favorable time for Dean Foods because its profit generally expands when milk prices come down.

And, finally, the financial markets were good. We had the ability to issue the debt necessary to finance these businesses separately.

THE COURT: And when you say the prices come down and that's good for profitability, you're speaking of the prices that Dean Foods pays to purchase milk which --

THE WITNESS: From farmers.

THE COURT: -- from farmers which you then in turn sell?

THE WITNESS: Yes.

THE COURT: So if the price of purchasing the raw material goes down, then there is more of an opportunity for profit?

THE WITNESS: There is more profit, yes.

THE COURT: Thank you.

MR. GOLDMAN: Thank you, your Honor.

BY MR. GOLDMAN:

- Q. At that point, what, if any, steps did you begin taking toward a spin-off?
- A. Well, we had internal discussions with my close team, the people who work on these sorts of things. And then we began discussions with Mr. Magro and his team to do some analysis,

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- financial analysis, to support the idea that this was feasible 1 2 at this time.
- 3 MR. GOLDMAN: If I could show the witness Government 4 Exhibit 519, please.
  - And just to remind the jury, who was Mr. Magro?
- Mr. Magro was our long-standing investment banker who 6 7 advised us often on these kinds of matters.
  - And what is this document that you see in front of you?
  - It's an email from Shane Vales, who is at this time my assistant, to members of the Board of Directors of Dean Foods, dated April the 23rd, 2012.
- 12 MR. GOLDMAN: The government offers Exhibit 519.
- 13 MR. BERKE: No objection, your Honor.
- 14 THE COURT: Received.
- 15 (Government's Exhibit 519 received in evidence)
- 16 MR. GOLDMAN: If we could publish for the jury.
- 17 What is the subject of this email?
- 18 The subject of this email is Dean Foods Audit Committee Call. 19
- 20 And the date? 0.
- 21 April 23, 2012. Α.
- 22 If you could read the first paragraph, please.
- 23 "Given the positive momentum in the businesses, we are 24 requesting that the full board join the audit committee for its 25 regularly scheduled first quarter earnings conference call

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- May 8, 2012 at 11 a.m. Central Standard Time. The audit
  committee will conduct its regular call, and then we will
  discuss with the full board our intended communications with
  the street in the May 9th earnings call."
  - Q. What did you -- why did you want to convert this -- or add on a full board meeting following the audit committee meeting?
    - A. Well, because we had an important matter that we wanted to discuss with the board and needed to be discussed with the full board.
  - Q. And what did you mean by "positive momentum in the businesses"?
    - A. Just those factors that I described, that milk prices were coming down, cost control was having its effect, and our profits were increasing -- significantly.
  - Q. And then you reference below, "Our intended communications with the street." What did you mean by that sentence?
    - A. Well, the street is shorthand for Wall Street, which is shorthand for the investment community. And we -- we had a specific message that we wanted to deliver to the investment community at the time of this conference call, or of our earnings release, and we wanted to discuss that with the board.
- MR. GOLDMAN: Now, if I could pull up Government
  Exhibit 521, and zoom in.
- 24 | 0. What is this document?
  - A. This is an email from Shane Vales, my assistant, to the

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- 1 | Board of Directors of Dean Foods, dated May the 4th, 2012.
- 2 MR. GOLDMAN: Your Honor, the government would offer 3 Exhibit 521.
  - MR. BERKE: No objection, your Honor.
- 5 THE COURT: Received.
- 6 (Government's Exhibit 521 received in evidence)
- 7 MR. GOLDMAN: Publish it. Thank you.
  - Q. What is the subject of this email?
  - A. Dean Foods audit and board teleconference, Tuesday May 8th.
  - Q. Can you read beginning with the second sentence,
- 11 "Attached"?
- 12 A. "Attached are Project Mito materials we will review in the
- 13 second section of the teleconference. Please do not share
- 14 | these materials with anyone inside or outside of the company.
- 15 | Also, please do not mention or discuss Project Mito during the
- 16 | first section of the teleconference."
- 17 | Q. What was Project Mito?
- 18 A. Project Mito was now the code name for the project to
- 19 | spin-off WhiteWave Foods.
- 20 | Q. Why was the name Project Mito now when it was referred to
- 21 as Project West before?
- 22 | A. I think because Mr. Magro had changed investment banks so
- 23 we had to have a new code name.
- 24 | Q. And then it says, "Please do not share these materials with
- 25 anyone inside or outside of the company." Why did you feel

- 1 like you had to include that sentence in this email?
- 2 | A. Really because these -- this project was highly sensitive
- 3 and it was highly sensitive inside of the company, and there
- 4 were going to be people on this conference call inside the
- 5 company who didn't know anything about this project or these
- 6 materials, and we didn't want that to become known to anybody
- 7 | in the company. And, of course, it was sensitive outside of
- 8 | the company. It was not public information.
- 9 Q. And then below it indicates the timing of the two separate
- 10 | board meetings, is that right?
- 11 | A. Yes.
- 12 MR. GOLDMAN: Now, if we could pull up Government
- 13 | Exhibit 522.
- 14 | Q. Do you recognize this document, Mr. Engles?
- 15 | A. Yes, I do.
- 16 | O. What is this?
- 17 A. This is a slide deck of information that was presented at
- 18 | the Board of Directors' meeting on May the 8th, 2012.
- 19 MR. GOLDMAN: The government offers Exhibit 522.
- 20 MR. BERKE: No objection, your Honor.
- 21 THE COURT: Received.
- 22 | (Government's Exhibit 522 received in evidence)
- 23 Q. And did you discuss this presentation at that board call on
- 24 | May 8th?
- 25 A. Yes, we did.

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- 1 Q. Was that meeting by telephone or in person?
  - A. I think it was both. I think some people attended in person and some people attended by telephone.
    - Q. And if I could turn to page 2, please.

Could you just read the -- well, could you go through the bullet points, not the dashes? We'll keep it high level.

- A. Yes. The situation overview was that there was strong 2012 financial performance across all the business units. The lawsuits were settled or summary judgment granted. Favorable capital markets, and declining leverage levels.
- Q. And then at the bottom, what was the conclusion?
- 12 A. The time is right to separate the business.
- Q. And those are essentially the things that you've just summarized for us a few moments ago, right?
  - A. Yes.
- 16 | Q. If we could go to page 3, please. What is the title here?
  - A. "Key objectives to maximize shareholder value."
- 18 | Q. And, again, if you could read the bullet points?
- A. "Separate WhiteWave-Alpro from Fresh Dairy Direct. Leave
  Fresh Dairy Direct and WhiteWave-Alpro with sound balance
  sheets. Keep control of our own destiny. Move as quickly as
- 22 possible to capitalize on current conditions."
- 23 Q. Now, the top one is the one that you've been talking about
- 24 for a while, the separation of WhiteWave-Alpro from the fluid
- 25 | milk business, is that right?

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- Q. And you touched upon this as well, but just describe again for the jury what the second bullet point meant.
- A. Again, this is the point about debt. Right? You are going to separate these two companies. So you have to separate the mortgage, if you will, and the mortgage had to be of a size
- that the business could pay it. Right? And so the amount of debt on each of these companies had to be such that the business could support it.
  - Q. And the third bullet point, "Keep control of our own destiny," what does that mean?
  - A. Well, it meant having little, if any, in the way of third parties involved in the transaction that you had to rely on to get something done. So we tried to organize this in such a way that our success or failure was within our own control as much as possible.
  - Q. And, finally, why did you want to move as quickly as possible to get this done?
- A. Well, experience had taught us that time was your enemy in deals. Market conditions change. Business performance changes. You know, factors outside of your control insert themselves into your plans. And so the conditions were good at the time, and we felt like, hey, let's go.
  - Q. And then, finally, on the right-hand side there is a little box that says "Morningstar's role." What was Morningstar?

- Morningstar was really our third business. It was a 1 milk-based business but it's what we called value added milk. 2
- 3 So milk is in the milk business. Half and Half would have been
- in the Morningstar business. Cottage cheese would have been in 4
- 5 the Morningstar business. Sour cream would have been in the
- 6 Morningstar business. So it was products that had slightly
- 7 more value added nature to them.
- Q. Approximately what percentage of Dean Foods did Morningstar 8
- 9 make up?
- 10 10 to 15, something like that.
- 11 What were the possibilities for Morningstar in this
- 12 transaction?
- 13 A. Either keep Morningstar as part of the milk business or
- 14 sell it to further pay down the debt.
- MR. GOLDMAN: Now, if we could go to Government 15
- Exhibit 460, please, for the witness. 16
- 17 What is this document? Ο.
- 18 These are the minutes of the board meeting that was held on
- May the 8th, 2012, the Dean Foods board meeting. 19
- 20 MR. GOLDMAN: The government offers Exhibit 460.
- 21 MR. BERKE: No objection, your Honor.
- 22 THE COURT: Received.
- 23 (Government's Exhibit 460 received in evidence)
- 24 MR. GOLDMAN: If we could zoom in on the top.
- 25 Did Tom Davis attend this meeting?

- 1 A. Yes, he did.
- 2 Q. Now, did you go through that presentation that we just went
- 3 | through here --
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 | Q. -- at this board meeting?
- 6 | A. Yes.
- 7 | Q. What, if anything, did the board decide at that meeting?
- 8 A. The board instructed the management of the company to
- 9 proceed with work to determine whether the spin-off of
- 10 WhiteWave was in fact feasible, and commenced the work
- 11 necessary to effect that spin-off. That was the principal
- 12 | outcome of the meeting.
- 13 | Q. And did that outcome give you the authority you needed to
- 14 pursue the spin-off with great speed?
- 15 | A. Yes.
- 16 Q. Were there some risks that the spin-off would not happen
- 17 | even as you pursued it?
- 18 A. Absolutely.
- 19 | Q. What risks existed at that time?
- 20 | A. Well, the same risks that derailed us in 2010: That the
- 21 | business would falter; that the milk market would change and
- 22 prices would rise, which would impact our profitability; that
- 23 the debt markets and the bank market would not be receptive or
- 24 open to us refinancing our mortgages, if you will, refinancing
- 25 | our indebtedness and separating it between the two companies;

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and that the markets would not be available or open for us to conduct a public offering of WhiteWave Foods, which was part of the plan that we were developing.

MR. GOLDMAN: If we could pull out, Ms. Meister, and go toward the bottom of the exhibit.

- Q. Mr. Engles, if you could read for the board the -- sorry, for the jury, rather, where it begins, "Mr. Engles noted," about five lines up.
- "Mr. Engles noted that he expected questions in relation to strategic alternatives from analysts and media during the first quarter earnings call and subsequent thereto. Mr. Engles reviewed his intended answer to such questions, including his awareness of the value of the WhiteWave-Alpro business and its relative inaccessibility to stockholders in the present structure."

MR. GOLDMAN: And if we could go to the next page, Ms. Meister, so you could continue.

- Q. Continue reading.
- "The company's inability to predict when and if it would be able to unlock that value, and the company's continued analysis of the issue. The board discussed Mr. Engle's intended responses."
- Q. And did the board ultimately agree for you to provide that response to questions about WhiteWave?
  - Yes, they did. Α.

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- 1 MR. GOLDMAN: You can take that down.
- Q. Now, was the company's and the board's decision to pursue the spin-off confidential?
- $4 \parallel A$ . Yes, it was.
- 5 MR. GOLDMAN: If we could now go to Government Exhibit 6 05A.
- Q. Before we get there, was this spin-off something that was particularly important to the company?
- 9 A. Yes. This is -- separating the company into two parts was
  10 one of the most important things that we considered.
- 11 Q. Do you see this exhibit in front of you, 605A?
- 12 | A. Yes, I do.
- 13  $\mathbb{Q}$ . What is it?
- A. It is the transcript of the call following -- the conference call with analysts following the release of our earnings that took place on Wednesday, May 9th.
- Q. Now, I think you've mentioned this a little bit before, but
  was this something that you did every quarter?
- 19 A. Every quarter, yes.
- Q. After you released the earnings, would you hold a conference call with interested parties?
- 22 A. Yes.
- 23 Q. And how were the company's first quarter's earnings for
- 24 2012?
- 25 A. They were quite good.

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- 1 MR. GOLDMAN: Could we go to page 9, please, and highlight the bottom half, including, "Eric Katzman." 2
  - Who is Eric Katzman? 0.
- 4 He was a securities analyst that followed the food group Α. 5 and followed Dean Foods and wrote research on Dean Foods.
  - Did he know the company well? 0.
    - Yes, he did. He was a longtime analyst.
- In the middle of his question, he says -- oh, I'm sorry. 8
  - Did I offer this? I may not have even offered it.

The government offers 605A.

MR. BERKE: No objection, your Honor.

THE COURT: Received.

(Government's Exhibit 605A received in evidence)

MR. GOLDMAN: If we can publish it.

- 15 Q. So there is Eric Katzman. And then in the middle, he says, "Can you talk a little about at what leverage point WhiteWave 16
- 17 is a potential asset to be spun off or sold?"
- 18 Again, what is this reference to "leverage point" you talked about a little bit? 19
- 20 A. It's again a question about the debt. And he's asking at
- 21 what debt level relative to your earnings could you separate
- 22 WhiteWave from Dean Foods.
- 23 And then can you read your response starting from the
- 24 beginning?
- 25 "Look, I think we hit this issue head-on at CAGNY in early

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2011. And our point of view with respect to the role that 1 WhiteWave plays in our portfolio hasn't really changed. So let 2 3 me start by saying we are keenly aware of the fact that -- or 4 our belief that WhiteWave is a highly valuable property." Q. If I could stop you there. 5 6 So what are you saying there? 7 I'm saying, look, what we've been telling you about WhiteWave hasn't changed. It's a fantastic business and it's 8 9 very valuable to us, and it should be very valuable to the 10 marketplace. 11 If you could go down --THE COURT: All right. Let's pause. Let's stand up 12 13 and stretch, ladies and gentlemen. 14 (Pause) 15 I may appoint a callisthenics director from the jurors to lead us in jumping jacks and the like. All right, you might 16 17 be the right guy for that. Get us in shape. JUROR NO. 1: No problem. 18 19 (Pause) 20 Q. Mr. Engles, in the middle of this paragraph, it says, 21 "We're also keenly aware." Can you begin reading from there? 22 "We're also keenly aware of our duty as a management team, Α. 23 and the board is keenly aware of its duty, to maximize value

value of WhiteWave is being reflected in the aggregate value of

for its shareholders over time. So if we don't feel that the

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Dean Foods, we understand that there is an opportunity to recognize value for our shareholders by separating it. And we again, I think, stated that very clearly 1.5 years ago. There have been some constraints on our ability to do so, which we highlighted in 2011. And those constraints were around the amount of leverage that the businesses, being separated, could sustain and what the appropriate leverage profile was for the businesses if you were to separate" —

Q. Can you go to the next page.

(Pause)

The top. Continue, please.

A. -- "if you were to separate them, and litigation that frankly had to be resolved before you could separate the businesses. We've largely resolved the litigation. That is a very large net positive for this company, and our leverage level is working down. So what I would tell you is we don't have a specific leverage target at which we're going to pull the trigger, but we're mindful of the opportunity we think to perhaps accrete value for our shareholders. And it's something that our management and our board considers on a regular basis.

Q. So when you reference there that you don't have a specific leverage target in which we're going to pull the trigger, was that in response to Eric Katzman's question about the leverage point?

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1 MR. GOLDMAN: All right. We can take that down.

- Now, you stated earlier that you wanted to move quickly Q. with this spin-off. Did you have a timeline in mind?
  - Just as quickly as possible. Α.
- 5 And what did you think that might be in early May of 2012? 0.
- I think we believed it would be some months. 6 Α.
  - Was it -- was the end of the summer a possibility? Q.
  - It was a possibility, yes. Α.
  - What kind of work did you need to do within the company in Ο. order to accomplish the necessary steps to do a spin-off?
- 11 Well, the first thing that we had to do was to treat these
- 12 businesses as though they were separate and put in place
- 13 arrangements that looked like they were arm's length
- 14 arrangements between two unrelated companies. So WhiteWave
- 15 made things for Dean Foods. Dean Foods made or distributed
- things for WhiteWave. And since they were all part of the same 16
- 17 company, we didn't pay much attention to what we charged one
- another, what WhiteWave charged Dean or what Dean charged 18
- WhiteWave for those services. Plus, we did a lot of things for 19
- 20 the whole company. We did payroll for the whole company. We
- 21 did bill paying for the whole company. And we had to create
- 22 arrangements and systems that treated those as distinct
- 23 companies so that we could figure out how much money WhiteWave
- 24 Because we had to file for an initial public really made.
- 25 offering, and we had to create financial statements for that

- public offering as though WhiteWave was a separate company from 1 2 Dean Foods, and that was an enormous amount of work.
- 3 Q. Now, did there come a time after this point when you were
- 4 able to determine when you would be able to file the IPO
- statement that you needed to file with the SEC? 5
- 6 At some point in time, yes. Α.
- 7 And what date did you ultimately settle upon?
- 8 We ultimately filed that statement, I believe, on August
- 9 the 7th.
- 10 And was that date ever made public to -- was that date ever
- 11 made public?
- 12 Not to my knowledge, yes.
- 13 0. Now, did there come a time in late May when you attended
- 14 another investor conference?
- 15 Α. Yes.
- 16 Where was that? 0.
- 17 It was in New York City.
- 18 MR. GOLDMAN: If we could pull up Government Exhibit
- 534. 19
- 20 What is this document? 0.
- 21 This is a transcript of our presentation at the Sanford
- 22 Bernstein Strategic Decisions Conference on May the 30th, 2012.
- 23 And did you attend this conference? 0.
- 24 Α. Yes, I did.
- 25 Is this a transcript of your statements?

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- 2 MR. GOLDMAN: The government offers Exhibit 534.
- MR. BERKE: No objection, you your Honor.
  - THE COURT: Received.
- 5 (Government's Exhibit 534 received in evidence)
  - MR. GOLDMAN: If we could go to the bottom of page 8, please, and publish. Just the very bottom.
  - O. Who was Alexia Howard?
  - A. She was the securities analyst for Sanford Bernstein that covered Dean Foods.
  - Q. Just generally speaking, what was this question about?

    You can read the first sentence, if you want.
  - A. This question is about the WhiteWave spin-off and how they should be thinking about it.
    - Q. If we could now move to page 9. And in the middle of the page, paragraph 4 there, can you read this?
    - A. "And the ability to spin the businesses off, or one of the businesses off, in a tax-efficient manner was not feasible given our level of leverage in the business. And so we felt that holding the businesses together in order to get to the point where we had more viable strategic alternatives was the right path, and that's the path that we pursued. And that's the place that we still are today, primarily because we have to, in order to effect a tax-free separation of the businesses, be able to leave each of them with a sound balance sheet. And

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- while we have made great progress in delevering the business, I

  don't think we're completely there in terms of our ability to

  do so today. But we are delevering rapidly and we continue to
- 5 MR. GOLDMAN: Thank you. We can take that down.
  - Q. Now, you described a number of the things that needed to occur before the spin-off could happen.
    - Did there come a time when you decided that you wanted to go with WhiteWave to be CEO?
- 10 A. Yes. Yes.
- 11 Q. And ultimately was that decision made?

monitor the situation carefully."

- 12 A. Yes, it was.
- Q. And what, if anything, would you do with your role as chairman of the board of Dean Foods if you went to WhiteWave?
- 16 to relinquish my role as the CEO of Dean Foods. But until Dean

Well, at the time that I became the CEO of WhiteWave, I had

- 17 Foods completed the spin-off, I remained as the chairman of the
- 18 Dean board.

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- 19 Q. Did you devise a succession plan for who would become
- 20 chairman of the board after you left?
- 21 A. Yes, we did.
- 22 | Q. Who did the board resolve to become chairman of the Dean
- 23 | Foods board?
- 24 A. Tom Davis.
  - Q. During the summer of 2012, were you speaking regularly with

- 1 | Tom Davis about the spin-off?
- 2 | A. Yes.
- 3 Q. Were you providing regular updates to Tom Davis about the
- 4 progress and details about the spin-off?
- 5 | A. Yes.
- 6 Q. And what effect, if any, did the fact that Tom Davis was
- 7 going to become Dean Foods' chairman did that have on the
- 8 | frequency of your conversations with him?
- 9 A. Well, it increased them because he was -- he now became a
- 10 | principal actor on the Dean Foods' board in deciding matters
- 11 | regarding separation because he was going to become the Dean
- 12 | chairman.
- MR. GOLDMAN: We could show the witness Government
- 14 | Exhibit 463 now.
- 15 | O. What is this document?
- 16 A. These are the minutes of a telephonic meeting of the Board
- 17 of Directors of Dean Foods on June the 27th, 2012.
- MR. GOLDMAN: The government offers 463.
- 19 MR. BERKE: No objection, your Honor.
- 20 THE COURT: Received.
- 21 (Government's Exhibit 463 received in evidence)
- 22 | Q. Well, was Tom Davis at this meeting?
- 23 | A. Yes.
- MR. GOLDMAN: And if we could publish the first sort
- of update on strategic matters down to the middle of it. Not

- 1 | that part. A little higher. OK.
- 2 Q. Now, could you read the first few sentences, please?
- 3 A. "Mr. Engles commenced a discussion of the company's
- 4 strategic matters, following the materials previously provided
- 5 | to the board. He stated that all business units had performed
- 6 | well in the second quarter of 2012. He noted that the
- 7 | company's net debt to EBITDA ratio was expected to be below
- 8 | four times by the end of 2012. He noted that capital markets
- 9 remained generally favorable and the company was on track to
- 10 | file an S-1 registration statement with the Securities and
- 11 Exchange Commission in six weeks with respect to a proposed
- 12 | initial public offering of up to 20 percent of the common stock
- of a company holding the assets of the WhiteWave-Alpro
- 14 | business."
- 15 Q. All right. You can stop there.
- Now, this was June 27th. When did the second quarter
- 17 | end?
- 18 A. On June the 30th.
- 19 Q. So how much of the second quarter's results would you have
- 20 known by then?
- 21 A. We had two months of the closed results, and we had a sense
- 22 of the sales in June.
- 23 | Q. And second sentences says that the business units had
- 24 performed well in the second quarter of 2012, is that right?
- 25 A. Yes.

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- Q. The next sentence, can you just give us a sense of what the four times meant there?
- A. It meant that the company had as debt four times the amount of its earnings as measured by this ratio, EBITDA.
  - Q. And we don't need to go into EBITDA, but how did that compare to what you felt like you needed the company -- where you needed the company to be?
    - A. That was about where we needed the company to be.
  - Q. And then what is an S-1 registration statement?
  - A. It's the document that you file with the Securities and Exchange Commission that is ultimately given to prospective investors that they can use to educate themselves about a business that's going public and helps inform them as to
- whether or not they want to buy the stock.
- Q. And here it says that the company was on track to file it within six weeks. When was six weeks from June 27th?
- 17 A. Sometime in the early part of August.
- Q. Now, what else did the company announce in the early part of August?
- 20 A. Its earnings.
- Q. Did there come -- did there come a time when you decided that you would make this IPO announcement at the same time as the earnings announcement?
- 24 A. At some point in time we decided to do it that way, yes.
- 25 | Q. But by this board meeting on June 27th, did the board know

- that the announcement would be made six weeks later, in early
  August?
- A. Well, we indicated that that's -- that we were on track for that, but I wouldn't say that the board knew that with
- 5 certainty, no.

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- 6 Q. And why was it not certain?
- 7 A. Well, because there was just a lot of work to be done in 8 those six weeks.
- 9 Q. And was there still uncertainty as to whether the IPO could occur?
  - A. Yes. But the -- the filing of the offering, it was more a matter of uncertainty around time. Right? The filing of the offering was in our control.
- Q. Now, by the end of June -- we can take that down,

  Ms. Meister.
  - By the end of June, do you recall how the stock price for Dean Foods was doing?
  - A. The stock had performed very well in May and June of 2012.
  - Q. And did there come a time after this June 27th meeting when you learned more definitively how the second quarter results were?
- A. Yes. Once we closed our books in the first ten days of July, we would have known definitively how we did.
- 24 | Q. And how were those results?
- 25 A. They were very good.

- 1 | Q. Was that an important hurdle for the spin-off?
- A. It was important that we be on track with the earnings that
  we had contemplated when we started the process.
- 4 | Q. Now, in early to mid-July, when you learned about the
- 5 company's second quarter earnings, did the public know what
- 6 | those second quarter earnings were?
- 7 | A. No.
- Q. And when were -- remind the jury again when you were going
- 9 to announce those earnings.
- 10 A. In early August.
- 11 | Q. Now, do you recall what happened to the price of Dean
- 12 | Foods' stock in July of 2012?
- 13 A. Well, it started off strong. It took a precipitous drop in
- 14 | the middle of the month, and then it really stayed down for the
- 15 | rest of the month.
- 16 | Q. Now, were the company's earnings that you learned in
- 17 | mid-July, was that something that you shared with the board?
- 18 | A. Yes.
- 19 Q. Did there come a time when the board -- when you obtained
- 20 | board approval to go forward with the IPO and spin-off?
- 21 | A. Yes.
- 22  $\parallel$  Q. And did you ultimately announce it to the public?
- 23 A. Yes, we did.
- MR. GOLDMAN: We could show Government Exhibit 706K.
- 25 Q. What is this document?

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- A. This is a press release issued by Dean Foods on August the 7th, 2012.
  - MR. GOLDMAN: The government offers Exhibit 706K.
- 4 MR. BERKE: No objection, your Honor.
- 5 (Government's Exhibit 706K received in evidence)
- 6 MR. GOLDMAN: If we may publish it.
  - Q. And what is the headline of this press release?
  - A. Dean Foods announces filing of IPO registration statement for the WhiteWave Foods Company.
- Q. Now, can you just summarize what you announced to the public about the spin-off on August 7th?
- 12 A. We announced that we intended to pursue the spin-off; that
- 13 | the first step of that was the filing, or was the filing of
- 14 | this initial public offering; and that within 180 days
- 15 | following the completion of the initial public offering, or
- 16 | thereabouts, we intended to distribute the shares that Dean
- 17 Foods owned to its shareholders as a dividend.
- 18 Q. To your knowledge, was the public aware that you were going
- 19 to make this announcement on August 7th?
- 20 A. Not to my knowledge.
- Q. After this announcement, what aspect of the transaction
- 22 | still needed to be resolved?
- 23 A. Which transaction specifically?
- 24 | Q. The entire spin-off transaction.
- 25 A. The entire spin-off? Well, there was a lot. We had to

- 1 successfully complete the IPO. We had to arrange bank
- 2 | financing for each of WhiteWave and Dean Foods separate
- 3 companies. We had to completely redo their capital structures.
- 4 | Leverage had to get to and remain at levels that would permit
- 5 | that to happen. Those were the principal things that had to be
- 6 done.
- 7 Q. And in terms of the IPO, was that a certainty at this point
- 8 or August 7th?
- 9 | A. No.
- 10 Q. What needed to happen with respect -- what was still
- 11 uncertain with respect to the IPO?
- 12 | A. Well, the timing was uncertain because we had to have our
- 13 registration statement approved by the Securities and Exchange
- 14 | Commission so that we could market the stock to the investment
- 15 community. And then we had to successfully do so and receive
- 16 price offers from the investment community that would make this
- 17 deal work and that were acceptable to Dean.
- 18 Q. And was the pricing known on August 7th of the WhiteWave
- 19 stock?
- 20 | A. No.
- 21 | Q. When you say be acceptable to Dean, what do you mean by
- 22 | that?
- 23 A. Well, Dean really had two issues with respect to the price
- 24 | that were important to it. First, it was selling 13 percent of
- 25 | a business that it owned all of, and it needed to, in its duty

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to its shareholders, make sure that it got a fair price for that. It was selling a big asset. So the price had to be a price that could be supported as a fair price for the asset that was being sold. And, secondly, we needed to raise enough money in that offering to make all the other pieces of the financing work, to make the bank financing and the bond financing -- I don't remember if there was bond financing, but if there was, to make that all work. So the amount of money to be raised was an important consideration, and the price was an important consideration. Q. Without knowing the price of the WhiteWave IPO, was it possible to know with specificity what WhiteWave would be valued at? A. No. MR. GOLDMAN: We could now show the witness Government Exhibit 467, please. What is this document? Ο. These are the minutes of a telephonic meeting of the board of directors of Dean Foods on September the 12th, 2012.

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- 21 MR. GOLDMAN: The government offers Exhibit 467.
- 22 MR. BERKE: No objection, your Honor.
- 23 THE COURT: Received.
- 24 (Government's Exhibit 467 received in evidence)
- 25 MR. GOLDMAN: If we could zoom in on the paragraph,

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- 1 "Update on Strategic Matters."
- 2 | Q. Was this a regularly scheduled board meeting?
- 3 A. I don't believe so, no.
- 4 | Q. And if you could read the sentence towards the end that
- 5 begins with "Mr. Fugger?
- 6 A. "Mr. Fugger reviewed a potential timeline for the initial
- 7 | public offering with the most optimistic timing resulting in
- 8 | the offering being consummated in mid to late October."
- 9 | Q. Was that date of mid to late October a date known to the
- 10 | public?
- 11 | A. No.
- 12 | Q. Was that confidential?
- 13 | A. Yes.
- 14 Q. Were other discussions with the board about the pricing or
- 15 | timing of the IPO confidential communications?
- 16 | A. Yes.
- 17 MR. GOLDMAN: And if we could now show Government
- 18 Exhibit 1929. Just zoom in on the top third.
- 19 | Q. What is this document?
- 20 | A. This is an email from me to Joe Harden and Tom Davis, dated
- 21 | September 16, 2012.
- MR. GOLDMAN: The government offers Exhibit 1929.
- 23 MR. BERKE: No objection, your Honor.
- 24 THE COURT: Received.
- 25 | (Government's Exhibit 1929 received in evidence)

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1	MR. GOLDMAN: And we may publish it.
2	Q. Who was Joe Harden?
3	A. Joe Harden was a member of the Dean Foods Board of
4	Directors and he had been designated as our lead director.
5	Q. If you could just read the first paragraph, please?
6	A. "Joe and Tom, given the pace of things on the WhiteWave
7	front and the fact that Joe is going to head for Africa on the
8	24th and will be hard to reach, I thought it would be useful to
9	try and get the remaining big governance issues resolved before
10	Joe leaves. We are trying to schedule a board meeting to
11	tackle those issues on Friday afternoon this coming week."
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- MR. GOLDMAN: Not sure that the jury saw it. But you can catch up with us, we just read the first paragraph.
  - Q. Why did you include Tom Davis on this e-mail?
- A. Well, because following the spinoff, Tom was going to be
  the chairman of the board of Dean, and would be the member of
  the Dean board who was -- had principal responsibility for its
  governance practices.
  - Q. Did you regularly consult with Tom Davis during the time period between the announcement on August 7 and the IPO at the end of October?
- 11 A. Yes, I did.
- Q. Did Tom Davis know details of the transaction that were not public?
- 14 A. Yes, he did.
- MR. GOLDMAN: If we can go to Government Exhibit

  706-P. Zoom in on just the top third.
- 17 | Q. What is this document?
- 18 A. It's a press release issued by Dean Foods on September 26, 19 2012.
- 20 MR. GOLDMAN: Government offers Exhibit 706-P.
- 21 MR. BERKE: No objection, your Honor.
- 22 THE COURT: Received.
- 23 (Government's Exhibit 706-P received in evidence)
- MR. GOLDMAN: If we can publish. Can you see it?
- 25 A JUROR: Not yet.

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- 1 MR. GOLDMAN: I have nos and yeses.
- 2 A JUROR: There it is.
- 3 Q. What is the headline of this press release?
- 4 A. "Dean Foods Explores Sale of Morningstar Business."
- 5 Q. Prior to this announcement, was it public knowledge that
- 6 Dean Foods intended to sell the Morningstar business?
- 7 A. No, it was not.
  - Q. What affect would the sale of the Morningstar business have
- 9 on Dean Foods' bottom line?
- 10 A. It would allow Dean Foods, because it would get cash for
- 11 | the sale, to pay down more of its debt.
- 12 | Q. Did you discuss with the board the prospect of selling
- 13 | Morningstar prior to this press release?
- 14 A. Yes.

- 15 Q. Did you receive approval to sell the Morningstar business
- 16 | from the board?
- 17 A. We certainly received approval to evaluate it, or we
- 18 | wouldn't have put this press release out.
- 19 THE COURT: Ladies and gentlemen, at the conclusion of
- 20 | the case, when you're deliberating, you will have the exhibits
- 21 | that have been received into evidence with you in the jury room
- 22 | and you can look at them at your leisure at that point. So
- 23 you'll have everything, even if it wasn't shown on the screen
- 24 | for some reason. Go ahead.
- MR. GOLDMAN: Thank you, your Honor. I'm almost

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- Q. What is this document?
  - A. This is an e-mail from Steve Kemps to the board of directors of Dean Foods dated October 5, 2012.

MR. GOLDMAN: The government offers Exhibit 529.

MR. BERKE: No objection, your Honor.

THE COURT: Received.

(Government's Exhibit 529 received in evidence)

MR. GOLDMAN: If we can publish it.

- Q. If you can read the second sentence, please.
- A. "We remain on track to potentially launch a roadshow on Tuesday, October 16, which would require the red herring prospectus to be filed on Monday October 15."
- Q. What is the -- you mentioned a roadshow before. What would be -- sorry.

What was the roadshow with relation to the WhiteWave IPO?

- A. We went out to many cities in the United States where there are large institutional investors, and we held meetings with them to basically pitch them on WhiteWave and tell them why it was a great investment.
- Q. What is the red herring prospectus?
- A. It is the prospectus that you send to investors before the roadshow begins and it's used for marketing the stock. It's

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- the next to last prospectus, last prospectus is filed after the offering price is determined, which follows the roadshow.
- 3 THE COURT: It has red ink on its cover.
- 4 THE WITNESS: Which is why it's called a red herring.
  - Q. So, did you have a sense of the timing of the IPO as of this e-mail?
- 7  $\blacksquare$  A. Yes, we had a sense of it.
  - Q. Did there come a time when WhiteWave announced to the public the timing and the price information of the IPO?
- 10 A. There came a time, yes.
- MR. GOLDMAN: If we can show Government Exhibit 888-A, please.
- 13 | 0. What is this document?
- 14 A. This looks like Form S-1 filed with the United States
  15 Securities and Exchange Commission.
- 16 Q. What is the date on the top in the middle there?
- 17 | A. October 17, 2012.
- 18 MR. GOLDMAN: Government offers Exhibit 888-A.
- MR. BERKE: Your Honor, I have no objection. Just
  noting, I think it may be an excerpt of the document, not the
  whole document. I don't know if that's intended.
- MR. GOLDMAN: We put an excerpt in the exhibit binders, but we have the entire document.
- MR. BERKE: No objection.
- 25 THE COURT: So the entire document will be in

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MR. GOLDMAN: The entire document is in evidence, yes.

3 THE COURT: Received.

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MR. GOLDMAN: If we can publish to the jury.

- Q. So, what is this document?
- A. This is one -- it is an amendment to the Form S-1, it may be the last amendment, it may be final, I don't know.
- MR. GOLDMAN: If we can go to page two, please. Zoom in on the top half there.
- 11 | Q. Can you read across the row that says class A common stock.
- 12 A. Yes. "Class A common stock, one penny par value per share.
- 13 Amount to be registered: 23 million shares. Proposed maximum
- 14 offering price per share: 16. Proposed maximum aggregate
- 15 | offering price: \$368 million. Amount of registration fee:
- 16 | \$50,195.20."
- Q. So, what relevant information to the IPO was included in
- 18 | this S-1 registration statement?
- 19 A. How many shares we intended to sell, what we -- our
- 20 estimate of the price at which we would sell them, and the
- 21 amount of proceeds that would be raised by selling those
- 22 securities.
- 23 | Q. On the left, numeral two or number two, it says
- 24 | "anticipated between to be between 14 and \$16 per share."
- 25 A. Yes.

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- 1 | Q. What is that?
- 2 A. That's called the range. You go out when you start a
- 3 | roadshow and you say to people, hey, we think we're going to
- 4 sell these shares between 14 and \$16 a share. And then
- 5 | following the end of the roadshow, you actually price it. And
- 6 sometimes you raise the range if you get a good response, and
- 7 sometimes you lower the range if you get a bad response while
- 8 you're on the roadshow.
- 9 MR. GOLDMAN: We can take that down.
- 10 Q. What ultimately happened with the IPO?
- 11 A. It priced in late October. I believe it priced at \$17 a
- 12 share, so slightly above this range. I don't remember if we
- 13 sold more shares or not, frankly.
- 14 | Q. Ultimately, did the Dean Foods' shareholders receive more
- 15 | value for their shares after the company split into two?
- 16 A. You might have to ask me that question again. I'm not sure
- 17 | I track what the question --
- 18 Q. Did Dean Foods' shareholders, as of August 7, 2012,
- 19 | ultimately receive more value for their shares after the
- 20 | spinoff was completed in May of 2013?
- 21 A. Yes. The stock ultimately went up.
- 22 | Q. Was the spinoff the success that you thought it would be?
- 23 A. Yes, it has been.
- 24 | Q. Finally, Mr. Engles, have you spoken to Tom Davis about
- 25 | this case at all?

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               THE COURT: Mr. Berke, whenever you're ready.
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                          Thank you, your Honor.
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      Q. Mr. Engles, I believe you said yesterday that you had never
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      had a conversation with Mr. Walters about Dean Foods, is that
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      correct?
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          That's my recollection, yes.
          But am I right that long before this case, you did know of
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     Mr. Walters as a friend of Tom Davis?
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      Q. You knew him, as described by Mr. Davis, as a legendary
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gambler, a larger-than-life swashbuckling-type character?

- 1 | A. Yes.
- 2 | Q. That was, other than what you knew through his friendship
- 3 | with Mr. Davis, that's really all you knew of Mr. Walters and
- 4 continue to know of him, right?
- 5 A. Yes, that's correct.
- 6 Q. So, what I'd like to do, Mr. Engles, is you talked
- 7 | obviously a lot about Dean Foods during the period we're
- 8 | talking about, 2008 to 2012. And what I'd like to do is take a
- 9 deeper dive on some of the things you talked about, about the
- 10 | business during that period, from the perspective of a
- 11 potential investor who would like to do as much research as
- 12 possible to try to --
- MR. GOLDMAN: Your Honor, is there a question here?
- 14 THE COURT: Yes. Mr. Berke.
- 15 MR. BERKE: Yes.
- 16 THE COURT: Put a question to the witness.
- 17 | Q. So let me now go, so obviously you've testified that Fresh
- 18 Dairy Direct, main component of Dean Foods during that time
- 19 period?
- 20 | A. Yes.
- 21 | Q. Fresh Dairy Direct, am I right, was made up of two
- 22 | principal components, right? There was a private label, and
- 23 | then the branded portion, is that correct?
- 24 A. Yes. Just to elaborate a little bit, the milk business
- 25 produces brands that we sell, like in this marketplace, Tuscan

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- or Lehigh Valley, for example, and we also produce products for retailers themselves that they sell under their brands like

  Great Value for Walmart, yes.
  - Q. Just to understand the business, your brands you can typically sell at a premium to where you sell the private label for other people's brands, is that correct?
  - A. Yes, we typically got more money for our own brands.
    - Q. So it's fair to say that an investor who is interested in maybe making an investment or a bet on the company, one thing he can look at is how do the businesses relate to each other since you have higher margins in your branded business than in
- 12 your private label business, correct?
- 13 A. Yes.
- Q. Also we talked about, obviously, we talked a lot about

  WhiteWave is the second, and you talked a little bit -- the

  second component of the Dean Foods business, correct?
- 17 | A. Yes.
- Q. And you talked today about Morningstar, and I think you described what that was. Morningstar also had a restaurant component. For example, didn't it do the McDonald's coffee that they sold, the fancy coffee sold by McDonald's?
- A. Yes. Morningstar manufactured products for sale under
  store brands, primarily at retail, so if you go to grocery
  store. And then they manufactured products for sale in what we
  call the food service channel, so we would make products that

- Sysco would deliver to the restaurant to use there, or that
  McDonald's would use, for example, to make a milkshake.
- Q. But Fresh Dairy Direct was responsible for roughly
- 4 three-quarters of the revenue of the company for much of that
- 5 period, correct?
- 6 A. Yes.
- 7 Q. Not only that, but Fresh Dairy Direct was far and away the
- 8 | largest milk provider in the United States?
- 9 A. Without a doubt.
- 10 | Q. It represented well over -- is it well over 35 --
- 11 | 38 percent of the milk consumed in our country?
- 12 A. Correct.
- 13 | Q. It's five times as large as its next larger competitor?
- 14 A. Correct.
- 15 | Q. In terms of looking how Dean Foods through its
- 16 | three-quarters of its business Fresh Direct portion, you can
- 17 | get a sense of how it's going to be affected by the various raw
- 18 materials and factors that affect the milk industry as a whole,
- 19 because it was so large and dominant, correct?
- 20 | A. Yes.
- 21 | Q. You've talked at length about raw milk prices as one of the
- 22 | key factor that could influence the profitability or margins of
- 23 Dean Foods, correct?
- 24 | A. Correct.
- 25 | Q. That is something -- raw milk prices are set by the

- 1 government, correct?
- 2 A. Minimum, the minimum price is set by the government. And
- 3 then farmers or co-ops would typically add fees and expenses on
- 4 | top of that. But yes, the government announced price, and the
- 5 | price we paid were moved in lockstep.
- Q. That's fair correction. And the government price for raw
- 7 | milk comes out once a month, correct?
- 8 A. Yes, it does.
- 9 Q. So that there is a constant effort by sophisticated
- 10 | investors who are looking at the milk industry to try to
- 11 | predict what might happen with milk prices over time?
- 12 MR. GOLDMAN: Objection, your Honor.
- 13 | THE COURT: I'm going to sustain that question.
- 14 | Q. You understand, sir, that investors in Dean Foods looked to
- 15 | how they believed the milk prices might change over time in
- 16 | making investment decisions, correct?
- 17 A. Yes, they did.
- 18 Q. You and others at the company sometimes addressed your own
- 19 | views about what might happen to the raw milk commodity prices
- 20 | over time, correct?
- 21 A. Very often.
- 22 | Q. In fact, there are something called "futures." That is a
- 23 separate creation of Wall Street, is that correct?
- 24 A. Yes.
- 25 | Q. Futures are when investors are literally making separate

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- bets about how various commodity prices, including dairy, may

  go up or down over time, correct?
  - A. Yes, they are.
- Q. There is a whole industry where people are on either side of a bet about whether they're going to go up or down, correct?
- 6 A. Yes, there is.

milk price, correct?

- Q. Again, just to drill down a little bit further for the way

  Dean Foods' business operated, if you look at this one factor,

  there was a lag in terms of how your profitability could be

  affected, depending on what happened on this monthly changing
- THE COURT: Do you understand the question?

  THE WITNESS: Not exactly.
- Q. Let me rephrase. If you don't understand the question, please tell me, I'll rephrase any.
  - So, is it fair to say that the Dean Foods' profitability is affected most by the trajectory of the raw milk prices as opposed to the actual raw milk prices?
- 19 A. Absolutely.
- Q. That's because when a raw milk price, for example, falls,
- 21 the retailers' price for milk doesn't fall immediately,
- 22 correct?
- 23 A. That's correct.
- Q. So there is a period of time when Dean Foods may pay less for milk but get the same price when they sell it and make

- 1 greater profits or margins for a period of time, correct?
- 2 A. Yes. And the opposite happens when milk prices are going up.
- 4 Q. Exactly. That's something, if someone is a sophisticated
- 5 | investor researching Dean Foods, they may try to predict how
- 6 | future quarters may be affected based on what happens with
- 7 | milk, based on your understanding of the investors in Dean
- 8 Foods?
- 9 MR. GOLDMAN: Objection, your Honor.
- 10 THE COURT: Sustained.
- 11 | Q. Let me rephrase. You understood that investors in Dean
- 12 | Foods were very interested in the company's views about how
- 13 changing milk prices may affect future quarters, correct?
- 14 A. Yes.
- 15 | Q. There are other factors as well that influence Fresh Direct
- 16 | like resin that can be used for the containers. I think you
- 17 | referenced that as well?
- 18 A. Yes, we use it to make plastic bottles.
- 19 Q. Just to take a deeper dive, for someone who wants to
- 20 | research what's going on with resin, is it fair to say the
- 21 price of resin is affected by more than one factor?
- 22 A. Yes.
- 23 | Q. So, for example, resin is affected by fuel. Is fuel
- 24 required for resin?
- 25 A. Yes, it's made out of natural gas, basically.

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- Q. So you want to look at whether natural gas prices are up or down to determine the price of resin, correct?
  - A. Natural gas prices, oil prices, the oil complex, yes.
  - Q. And again --

THE COURT: We're talking about the materials that go into the making of a plastic bottle?

THE WITNESS: The jug.

THE COURT: The jug in which you find your milk in your grocery store.

THE WITNESS: Yes.

- Q. Am I right, sir, in terms of the changing energy complex or fuels, that also affects Dean Foods based on a trajectory, so there is a delay in how it may impact quarters of Dean Foods?
- 14 A. Yes. The same affect as milk basically, it lags.
- 15 | Q. I'm sorry.
  - A. Well, the price that Dean as a manufacturer paid would tend to lag what got incorporated in Dean's prices to its customers,
- 18 so the same affect as milk.
- 19 Q. Isn't it also true, sir, that diesel fuel price also can
- 20 | have a direct impact on the profitability of Dean Foods,
- 21 because they need it for the machinery and the operation of
- 22 | your facilities?
- 23 A. Yes. And we had 6,000 trucks that we ran every day.
- 24 | Q. And again --
  - A. That run on diesel fuel.

- Q. The impact they had on the company, there will be a lag that investors will try to pay attention to, based on your experience?
  - A. Absolutely.

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- Q. Am I also right another factor that someone researching,
  going to make decisions about how to invest in Dean Foods may
  look at is the seasonal nature of the profitability of the
  Fresh Dairy Direct component of your business, correct?
  - A. Yes.
  - Q. For example, given how the business operates, first quarter is usually strongest of all the four quarters, correct?
  - I'm sorry. I'm sorry. I meant to say the first quarter is typically the weakest of the quarters.
    - A. No. The -- there was a seasonality to Dean Foods for sure. But, it was more driven by schools being in session or out of session. So the summer months often are -- in the milk business, the least profitable months because school milk made up about 8 percent of our volume. And when schools are not in session in the summer, our volumes are down, our sales were down, our profitability was lower.
      - Q. So forget which month. There is a seasonality aspect that investors would also look at to try to predict profitability, correct?
- 24 | A. Yes.
  - Q. And is it also fair, sir, that as of 2007, at least, so

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- prior to the period I'm asking about, 2008 to 2012, the milk industry became much more of a global market than a domestic market?
- A. The -- yes, around that time, there was the emergence of a global impact on U.S. milk prices.
  - Q. But it became -- because milk is also produced in other countries, correct?
- A. Yes. It's a little bit of a complicated topic. But, there
  was not a lot of milk imported or exported from the United

  States prior to 2007. In 2007, one of the other large global
  producers developed a global trading exchange for dairy
  commodities that set prices outside of the United States. And
  that emergence began to influence the price of milk in the
  United States.
  - Q. So can we say in 2007 your milk prices began to be more set by what's happening in the global market for dairy commodities than the domestic supply-and-demand balance in the United States, which was the traditional driver of milk prices up until that point?
  - A. Well, what I would say is after 2007 it was more influenced than it had been prior to 2007.
  - Q. Would you disagree with what I said, sir?
  - A. Yes, I would in the sense that domestic supply-and-demand is still the primary driver of milk prices in the United States.

- H3G3WAL5 Engles - cross Sir, can I show you what's been marked for identification 1 but not in evidence as Government Exhibit 604-B. 2 3 Sure. Α. Do you recognize that as a second quarter 2011 earnings 4 Q. 5 call transcript for Dean Foods Company? A. Yes. 6 7 MR. BERKE: Your Honor, I would offer what's been marked for identification Government Exhibit 604-B. 8 9 MR. GOLDMAN: One minute, your Honor. 10 THE COURT: Sure. 11 MR. GOLDMAN: Your Honor, I'm not sure what the 12 purpose of introducing it. It is hearsay. 13 THE COURT: Well, this is a call transcript from Dean Did you not offer transcripts from earnings calls on 14 Foods. 15 your direct examination? MR. GOLDMAN: We did. 16 17 THE COURT: What's the difference? 18 MR. GOLDMAN: I'm not -- I'm not sure what purpose
- 19 Mr. Berke is trying to use this.
  - THE COURT: I'll take it subject to a motion to strike. You may continue.
- 22 (Government's Exhibit 604-B received in evidence)
- 23 Can I direct your attention to page eight of this earnings 24 call transcript.
- 25 Sure. Α.

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- Q. You see where it begins "and sir"? Do you see that? We can first go to the question.
  - A. Would you like me to read it?
  - Q. Let me just point it out for you. Thank you.

And you see that Alexia Howard, Sanford Bernstein, that's also an analyst, correct?

- A. Yes, it is.
- Q. She has two questions. And asking about -- just to summarize, we don't have to go through it, but asking about is it possible you might see an overhaul of the way the class one milk prices stacked as part of the fondue it says in 2012 that might reduce volatility?
- 13 A. My guess is that transcription was garbled, but yeah, I see 14 the question.
  - Q. Can I go to your answer, and I want to highlight the sentence that begins with "2007." It says "as to the milk price expectations," I'm sorry. See the second sentence?
- 18 A. Yes.
- Q. "As to the milk price expectations" if we can take that down to the word "time."
- A. "As to the milk price expectations going forward,
  increasingly, Alexia, really starting in 2007, our milk prices
  have begun to be set more by what's happening in the global
  market for dairy commodities than the domestic
  supply-and-demand balance in the United States, which was the

- traditional driver of the milk price up until that point in time."
- Q. So that's what you had said in 2011 to your investors on an earnings call, correct?
  - A. Yes.

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- Q. Is it fair to say that's an accurate description of what was going on in the global market at that time, sir?
  - A. What I would say, it is a one-sentence answer to a complicated question. And that clearly, beginning in 2007, global prices had a bigger impact on U.S. dairy prices than it had historically.
  - Q. Again, I don't want to get down too much in the details on this. You would agree about the impact of the global economy that started to change right before 2008, correct?
  - A. No question about that.
- Q. So no doubt somebody who is researching Dean Foods for investment needs to pay attention to everything that could impact the global market, correct?
- 19 A. You betcha.
- 20 Q. Particularly fluctuations in U.S. currency?
- 21 A. Currency was definitely important because they change the 22 price of goods --
- 23 MR. GOLDMAN: Can he finish his answer.
- A. Currencies are important because they change the price that buyers in the global market outside the United States

- 1 | experience. Cost of the currency is important.
- 2 Q. Is it also true, sir, there is a general lack of storable
- 3 dairy commodity inventories in many parts of the world?
- 4 A. There are from time to time. And from time to time we have
- 5 | too much.
- 6 Q. If we talk about 2008, would it be fair to say during that
- 7 | time, relatively small changes in global supply or demand
- 8 dynamics would likely have an outsized effect on domestic dairy
- 9 prices?
- 10 | A. Yes.
- 11 Q. So again, starting in 2007, this is yet another variable
- 12 | that could have a significant impact on the business of Dean
- 13 Foods, given what a big footprint it has on the U.S. dairy
- 14 | market, correct?
- 15 | A. Correct.
- 16 Q. Sir, fair to say during the 2008-2009 period, during the
- 17 | financial crisis, you recall that the dollar became sort of
- 18 devalued or the currency level was low vis-a-vis other
- 19 | currencies?
- 20 | A. I --
- 21 | Q. There was a depreciation of our currency?
- 22 | A. I thought there was an appreciation of our currency during
- 23 | the credit crisis. But, I thought we were the store value that
- 24 | the market rushed towards. But our currency moves around, so I
- 25 don't have a great recollection.

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- Let me ask you, do you recall in 2008 you had expressed the view that the depreciation of our currency at that time had made the United States effectively the world's lowest cost
- 5 Sorry, was the answer "yes"?

producer of dairy proteins?

- Α. Yes.
  - Just for the record, the witness was MR. BERKE: shaking his head up and down. But it didn't seem like I'm directing your answer. Thank you.
- 10 So again, an investor could look, just as you understand 11 that there is a whole Wall Street industry where people make 12 bets on how the U.S. currency may change vis-a-vis currencies 13 all over the world, that same bet could impact significantly
- 15 Α. Yes.

Dean Foods, correct?

- Turning now to the farmer side of it. Right. One of the 16 17 farmers' largest input to what they need to charge for milk is 18 grain, correct?
- 19 A. Correct.
- 20 Q. And so, when grain prices go up, that can dramatically 21 affect the price Dean Foods has to pay for milk in a variety of 22 ways, correct?
- 23 Over time, yes. Α.
- 24 And again, there is a trajectory to that as well, correct?
- 25 Yes, there is. Α.

- Q. Just to be clear, for each of these factors, someone researching Dean Foods, wanting to make an investment or bet, would need each of these factors, would want to research both how the factor may change and also what the trajectory might be, based on your experience of Dean Foods' investors?
  - MR. GOLDMAN: Objection, your Honor.
  - THE COURT: Sustained as to form.
  - Q. You understood, sir, looking at each of these factors there's two components, one being how the price may change, the other being the trajectory?
- 11 | A. Yes.

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Q. So, grain prices, am I right if grain prices go up too significantly, one thing that farmers may do in response is cut

And again, we're talking details. That means they may use

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their herd of cows?

- 17 | their cows for other things than milk, correct?
- 18 | A. Yes.

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- 19 Q. Being polite for all sensitivities.
- 20 A. You can occasionally find them at McDonald's.
- 21 Q. I understand.
- 22 A. During that period of time.
- 23 Q. And that may cause the raw price of milk to go up, and
- 24 again, affect the profitability of Dean Foods, correct?
- 25 A. Yes.

- Q. The price, another thing that might happen if grains go up a lot, is farmers may feed their cows less grain, which would mean the cows would produce less milk?
  - A. Yes.
  - Q. Also having the same impact, correct?
- 6 A. Yes.

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- Q. And again, like other things we talked about, there is a
  whole Wall Street industry on grain futures where people -where different investors get on both sides of a bet about
- 10 whether grain will go up or down for a period of time, correct?
- 11 A. Correct.
- 12 | Q. And yet another factor, two-part factor, again, for Dean
- 13 Foods, on the price change and the trajectory through the
- 14 profitability of Dean Foods, correct?
- 15 A. Correct.
- 16 Q. Sir, in addition to -- I think you had said already, am I
- 17 | right, sir, that the company -- that you and others at the
- 18 company at various points would share with investors your views
- 19 | about the long-term outlook on any number of these factors,
- 20 correct?
- 21 A. Yes, we would.
- 22 | Q. You would also look back and say this is how I think
- 23 changes in these prices that did occur may impact us in the
- 24 | future, correct?
- 25 A. Yes, we did.

- Q. And am I right, sir, that you're familiar with analysts who would also make predictions to the marketplace about how all of these factors may influence the performance of Dean Foods, correct?
  - A. Yes, they did.
    - Q. For example, sir, do you recall that in June 2008, there was a concern that commodity prices like the grains would go up, and because of those concerns, Dean Foods' price fell significantly, like 7 percent?
    - A. I don't remember the specific concern or the fall of the stock, but clearly through late 2007 and 2008, it was a lot of volatility in the stock, there was a lot of uncertainty about what was going to cause Dean Foods' performance to increase or decrease, and that could well have been one of those items.
  - Q. Maybe we don't have to get bogged down in the details.

    Would you agree with me there is often disagreement about how

    much commodity prices could impact Dean Foods' performance over

    time, correct?
  - A. Absolutely.
  - Q. And also be fair to say that at times the company, including yourself, would speak out and say you think the market overreacted because the commodity prices won't have the impact that it appears to be motivating some of the selling?
  - A. Yes, there were times when we gave the market our opinion.
    - Q. Another factor that impacted not just the Fresh Dairy

- 1 Direct business but also the organic business, the
- 2 WhiteWave-Alpro business, could be oversupply, is that correct?
- 3 A. Yes, there were periods of oversupply in that business as
- $4 \parallel \text{well.}$
- 5 Q. During the period we're talking about, the 2008 and 2012
- 6 period, the problem of oversupply was another factor that
- 7 | impacted the profitability of Dean Foods?
- 8  $\parallel$  A. Yes, the supply and demand balance of organic milk was an
- 9 | important factor for Dean during some of that period.
- 10 | Q. You recall, sir, that the oversupply of milk was also --
- 11 | oversupply of product was also an issue for your traditional
- 12 | milk, your Fresh Dairy Direct, during that same period of time?
- 13 A. Ask the question again please?
- 14 | Q. Do you recall that there was also an issue of oversupply of
- 15 | your regular milk, of the Fresh Dairy Direct business, during
- 16 | the 2008-2012 period?
- 17 | A. No. That -- that basically can't happen in the
- 18 conventional business, because we only order from our co-ops
- 19 | the amount of milk that we need in the conventional milk
- 20 market.
- In the organic milk market it was a problem, because
- 22 | we had contracts with farmers where we said we'll take all of
- 23 your milk, even if it was more than we needed. So, that really
- 24 wasn't oversupply or undersupply affected the price of
- 25 conventional milk, but it wouldn't affect the amount that we

had to take, and therefore we didn't get stuck with extra
conventional milk.

THE COURT: Wait until the witness finishes his answer.

MR. BERKE: Of course, Judge.

- Q. Mr. Engles, are you done?
- A. Yes.

- Q. Okay. So let me ask this differently. But in 2008 was there a period of time when the export demand for domestic production of milk fell because there was an increase of production of milk in New Zealand and -- well, particularly in New Zealand, dairy production increased?
- A. How long do you have? It is a little bit of a complicated answer.

So, the way that milk business works globally is that milk is a very perishable commodity. The jury knows that because it goes off in about 10 days in your fridge. So, liquid milk is not distributed around the world. The way that the global markets impact the milk market are that liquid milk is converted to non-fat dry milk powder and butter, primarily. Those are very long shelf-life items, and those could be shipped and stored around the world.

So, the way global demand for milk affects the U.S. milk system is that global demand for powder or butter would draw down our stocks in the United States and drive up the

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price of powdered milk or butter. And that then would, because of how the government sets price, drive up the price of the liquid milk that we bought.

But, the liquid milk system in the United States is structured so there is also enough liquid milk for bottlers, because there are tiered prices. Farmers get paid more for milk that they would ship to me as a bottler than they would if they shipped to a powder plant or butter plant. So liquid milk plants are always supplied first, and they're always adequately supplied.

- Q. Do you recall, was there an oversupply of milk in -- New Zealand is a producer of milk?
- A. It is the biggest global exporter of milk.
- Q. Do you recall that in late 2008, that time period, they significantly increased the production?
  - A. Yes, if they had a very good season for producing milk in New Zealand, and they put those supplies on the market, that would tend to depress the price of milk powder everywhere in the world. And if U.S. milk powder prices went down, then U.S.
- 20 | milk prices for all uses of milk would also go down.
- Q. I probably could have got there quicker. In other words, that is something that could also have an impact on Dean Foods and its profitability?
- 24 A. Yes, sir.
  - Q. Also the state of the economy can have a significant impact

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- 1 on Dean Foods' --
- 2 | A. Sure.
- 3 | Q. -- profitability, correct?
- Because I think you've said that you have nearly a full saturation because most everyone uses milk in some way,
- 6 correct?
- 7 A. Yes.
- Q. But, the practices of both consumers as well as retailers
  can change in a depressed economy, correct?
- 10 A. Absolutely.
- 11 Q. So, for example, and again, that's what we were dealing
- 12 | with during the 2008-2009 period, do you recall that?
- 13 A. Yes.
- 14 | Q. One of the factors is it reflected a move by consumers away
- 15 | from your branded milk, like Tuscan and others that you talked
- 16 about, towards the -- if you want to say the private label or
- 17 more generic milk sold through the supermarket or other chains,
- 18 | correct?
- 19 A. Yes.
- 20 | Q. That obviously had lower profitability?
- 21 | A. Yes.
- 22 | Q. So again, another factor is to try to predict what might
- 23 | happen with the economy and how it would impact consumers'
- 24 practices, correct?
- 25 | A. Yes, sir.

- Q. On that, the 2009 and 2010 period was particularly significant in terms of how this factor impacted Dean Foods, correct?
  - A. It was.

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- Q. Because there was the famous or "famous" -- there was the well-known and publicized, at least in the industry, milk wars, correct?
- A. Yes.
  - Q. And am I right that what happened is, because consumers were shopping less more generally, retailers tried to use milk to encourage consumers to come to their stores?
    - A. Yes, it was really because consumers didn't have the money to spend that they used to because of the financial crisis.

      And so, grocers tried to lure those shoppers to their stores by appealing to them with very low priced milk, which was in
- 16 almost everybody's grocery cart.
  - Q. Right. And in fact, your understanding, sir, that there was a time, and again, all the factors people are familiar with that so negatively impacted our economy, where retailers were selling milk without getting any profit just to attract consumers to their stores?
  - A. Oh, there was a time when they were losing a lot of money on every gallon they sold to attract consumers to their stores.
  - Q. Which obviously had a significant impact on the largest, by far, provider of milk to those retailers?

- 1 A. Absolutely.
- 2 Q. Sir, do you remember that, again, during the time we're
- 3 | talking about, there was a time where a gallon of private label
- 4 | milk was selling for less money than a half gallon of your
- 5 | branded milk?
- 6 | A. I do.
- 7 | Q. That was a very, very difficult business model at the time,
- 8 | correct?
- 9 A. Exceptionally hard.
- 10 | Q. So, investors who are committed to understanding as best as
- 11 | they can what might happen with Dean Foods, would have a lot to
- 12 | try to understand to make bets on in terms of making investment
- 13 decisions in Dean Foods, correct?
- 14 A. We were very hard to understand for a while.
- 15 | Q. There was a lot to look at to try to figure out if you
- 16 could get it right, correct?
- 17 | A. Yes.
- 18 Q. There was a lot of other factors that continued during the
- 19 | 2008 and 2012 period that also had a real impact on what Dean
- 20 | Foods' share price might look like, correct?
- 21 A. There was always, there's always factors.
- 22 | Q. We talked about the significant debt that Dean Foods faced,
- 23 correct?
- 24 A. Yes.
- 25 | Q. The litigation -- and again, the debt was something that

- was regularly reported, so any investor interested in doing a lot of research could track the debt of Dean Foods, correct?
- 3 A. Absolutely.
- 4 | Q. And litigation, the litigation that's filed is public, so
- 5 | if somebody wanted to independently look at and research the
- 6 | impact of the litigation, which we'll talk about in a bit, they
- 7 can do that, correct?
- 8 A. Correct.
- 9 Q. Somebody could simply walk into a store, they could walk
- 10 | into their store and look at how the prices of milk change to
- 11 | get an impact of what retailers may be doing particularly
- 12 | during difficult economic times, correct?
- 13 A. Yes.
- 14 | Q. I want to now turn to a little bit, given all those factors
- 15 | that sophisticated investors could look at, I want to turn now
- 16 more to a topic you touched on, and that is how the company
- 17 | communicates with investors.
- 18 | A. Sure.
- 19 Q. Because obviously there are the formal public statements
- 20 you've talked about, the earnings release is a public
- 21 statement, correct?
- 22 A. Yes.
- 23 | O. Press releases?
- 24 | A. Yes.
- 25 | Q. Investor calls?

- 1 A. Conference calls, yes.
- 2 | Q. And anything said on those calls, that's public
- 3 | information, that can be talked about, about the company,
- 4 | right? That's fair game?
- 5 A. Absolutely, fair game.
- 6 MR. GOLDMAN: Your Honor, can we have a clarification 7 as to what investor calls or conference calls he's referring
- 9 MR. BERKE: Happy to clarify.
- 10 | Q. Did you understand what when I'm saying investor calls was
- 11 | I'm talking about after an earnings announcement, you would
- 12 have regular conference calls with investors who choose to call
- 13 | in?

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- 14 A. Our earnings conference calls.
- 15 | Q. Yes. Thank you, sir. And I think you mentioned that you
- 16 | would also participate at large conferences, correct?
- 17 | A. Yes.
- 18 Q. Where there might be over a hundred people, and you would
- 19 | also talk about the business of Dean Foods and any number of
- 20 | factors we just covered, correct?
- 21 A. Yes, sir.
- 22 | Q. And am I also fair to say that anything you talked about at
- 23 | any of those conferences, that's public information, fair game
- 24 | to talk about as well?
- 25 A. Absolutely.

- Q. And for example, sir, do you recall that in 2009 Dean Foods had its own Investor Day for investors where they had like 150 people to New York to hear about the business?
  - A. Yes, I do recall that.

factors I just talked about?

- Q. Do you recall that the plan was to build an understanding and awareness of the Dean Foods business and the host of
- 8 A. Yes.

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- 9 Q. Do you recall, sir, that -- and you participated in giving
  10 that presentation along with other people and senior
  11 management, correct?
- 12 | A. I did.
- Q. Do you recall, sir, that you explained to the investors
  there what you wanted to do is understand Dean Foods and the
  opportunities and what your plans were for the future to take
  advantage of those opportunities?
- 17 A. What we wanted them to understand.
- 18 Q. Yes. That's what I meant.
- 19 A. Yes.
- Q. There are other also conferences that you would go to like
  CAGNY and the rest we'll talk about. Same idea, anything you
  said at a conference like that, public information, fair to
- 23 | talk about?
- 24 A. Yes, once we said it, it was fair to talk about.
- 25 | Q. And you also speak to analysts, right? I think you said

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1	there are at various times roughly 20 different analysts who
2	covered Dean Foods, correct?
3	A. Yes.
4	Q. And just I think we touched on, but just so it's clear,
5	these analysts at various points in time would issue things
6	that are available to the investment public that might reflect
7	communications with the company, as well as their analysis of
8	the company's statement, correct?
9	A. That's correct.
10	Q. If information is shared with an analyst, that, too,
11	becomes public information and is fair game?
12	A. That's correct.
13	Q. Do you recall, sir, that in 2009, Dean Foods hired a
14	company called Financial Dynamics, which is a communications
15	consulting firm, to try to help with your communications with
16	investors for the good of the company?
17	A. I don't have a clear recollection of that, no.
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- Q. Let me show you what's been marked as Defense Exhibit 1056, for identification.
  - Sir, do you recall -- do you see this as the third quarter of 2009 performance update for the board of directors' meeting November 19, 2009?
  - A. Yes, I do.
    - MR. BERKE: Your Honor, I offer Defense Exhibit 1056 into evidence.
      - THE COURT: Any objection?
    - MR. GOLDMAN: No objection.
- 11 THE COURT: Received.
- 12 (Defendant's Exhibit 1056 received in evidence)
- 13 MR. BERKE: May I publish it?
- Q. And we're going to -- I think it is coming in a moment and
  we are going to go to page -- we will show the first page and
  go to page 25.
  - Sir, you see that this says at the top "Developing a Proactive and Informed Investor Relations Plan."
- 19 A. Yes.
- 20 Q. And you see that on the left it refers to a Perception
- 21 | Study?
- 22 A. Yes.
- 23 | Q. And then if you go to the third bullet point, it says,
- 24 | "Study is being conducted by Financial Dynamics Financial
- 25 Communications consultancy."

- OK. 1 Α.
- And if you go to the second bullet point, the one right 2
- 3 above it, it says, "The goal is a deeper understanding of
- investor views of Dean Foods to inform future investor 4
- 5 communications."
- 6 Yes. Α.

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Q. Do you see that, sir?

Does that refresh your memory that there was a process 8 underway in 2009 so that management and the company could

- 11 My recollection, having seen this, is that was the
- 12 initiative undertaken by our investor relations department.
- 13 Q. Let's talk a little bit about that.

better communicate with investors?

- 14 You referred to investor relations a bit. So investor
- 15 relations, that is the -- that is the division or department at
- 16 Dean Foods responsible for overseeing outreach to investors,
- 17 correct?
- 18 It was a department of one. Α. Yes.
- Barry Sievert during a period of time? 19 Q.
- 20 During a period of time Barry Sievert, yes. Α.
- 21 During the 2008/2012 period, there was one other
- 22 individual?
- 23 Α. Umm --
- 24 Ο. We'll go through it.
- 25 You'll refresh my recollection. Α.

- 1 | Q. I will. Often what investor relations did is they
- 2 | facilitated meetings for you as well as your other senior
- 3 management to meet with investors, correct?
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 | Q. And you recall in 2009, just if you look again at the
- 6 | slide, things that you were doing to reach out to investors,
- 7 | there is the Barclays Back to School Conference, which we
- 8 | talked about already, or you did on your direct; do you see
- 9 | that?
- 10 | A. Yep.
- 11 | Q. And you were going to do things like if you go to there is
- 12 | a post-earnings road show?
- 13 | A. Yes.
- 14 | Q. And is that where you went and visited investors in
- 15 | different cities to talk about your earnings-to-performance and
- 16 | all the factors we talked about awhile ago?
- 17 A. Correct.
- 18 | Q. And you also joined a group of investors for dinner on
- 19 | November 10th?
- 20 | A. OK.
- 21 | Q. You host a group of investors for a headquarters meeting on
- 22 December 10th, right?
- 23 A. The company did. I don't know if I did.
- 24 Q. Yes.
- 25 A. The company did.

- 1 | Q. And then the CAGNY conference, which we talked about?
- 2 | A. Yes.
- 3 Q. And it talked about a plan of developing a full calendar of
- 4 | investor outreach for 2010 based on the study that was going to
- 5 | be done by Financial Dynamics; do you see that?
- 6 A. Yes.
- 7 | Q. And just to be clear, part of what this is addressing in
- 8 | the 2009 period is the company going out, in addition to the
- 9 | big groups we talked about, in smaller and sometimes individual
- 10 meetings with investors, correct?
- 11 A. Those activities took place, yes. Smaller group meetings
- 12 or smaller individual meetings with investors.
- 13 | Q. And you often participated in those, correct?
- 14 A. Yes.
- 15  $\parallel$  Q. And am I right that part of the goal in those meetings was
- 16 to help maintain credibility with significant investment firms,
- 17 | Wall Street investment firms and other investment firms, that
- 18 either were heavily invested in Dean Foods or may be interested
- 19 | in investing in Dean Foods?
- 20 | A. Well, I'd say the purpose was to maintain a dialogue with
- 21 | your investors to help them understand the company, and
- 22 | hopefully that did help you maintain credibility.
- 23 | Q. Yeah. And you say the company and all the various factors
- 24 we talked about?
- 25 A. Yes.

- Q. And do you recall, sir, that you had a view that in 2010 you were not as successful in communicating the company's message as you had hoped to be, you personally?
  - A. It might not have just been 2010, but I don't specifically recall -- I don't specifically recall what you are referring to.
  - Q. Well, you recall that you, sir, gave yourself self-evaluations during this time period?
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- Q. And let me show you a document marked Defense Exhibit 658 and 659, for identification.
  - And, sir, if you look at 658 -- if you could highlight the top part -- do you see that, sir, as a -- well, actually, let's go to 659 right now. Do you recognize this, sir, as being your self-evaluation? And if you need 658 to help you identify this as such, I am happy to do that as well.
  - A. Yes, I recognize this.
- Q. And I'd like to turn your attention to the page ending in 8687, under number 4.
  - I ask you, sir, just briefly review what's under number 4 to yourself.

(Pause)

Let me ask you this, sir. Does this refresh your memory? Do you recall giving yourself sort of a below-target rating for your communications with the investment community?

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A. I see that I did.

THE COURT: Well, no. This is not in evidence. You know, if I asked you who won the World Series in 1986, I could forgive you because you're not from these parts; you might not remember that it was a great picture year for the Mets. Now, if I showed you the cover of Sports Illustrated, you might see that Sports Illustrated is saying that the Mets won in 1986, but it may not jog your memory. Then, again, you may remember, oh, yeah, I was in New York that summer. I remember the parade and what have you, and it may in fact refresh your recollection.

So I understand you are sitting here and you say, well, why can't I just read the document aloud? You can't. It is not in evidence.

The question is, when you read it, does it refresh your recollection on the subject about which you have been asked so that you have a new and independent recollection apart from the document?

THE WITNESS: The answer is no, it does not refresh my recollection.

THE COURT: OK.

MR. BERKE: Thank you.

BY MR. BERKE:

Q. And do you recognize, though, this document, your self-evaluation, as a business record kept in the ordinary

H3qdwal6 Engles - cross course of Dean Foods' business? 1 2 A. Yes, I do. 3 MR. BERKE: Your Honor, I'd offer Defense Exhibit 659 4 into evidence. 5 THE COURT: Any objection? MR. GOLDMAN: One second, your Honor. 6 7 (Pause) 8 Your Honor, this is not a business record. We would 9 object. 10 THE COURT: Let me see the first page of the document. 11 (Pause) Do I have it in a binder here? 12 13 MR. BERKE: Your Honor, we have a binder for you. 14 can either put up 659, and I believe you have the first page 15 right now. I have a binder for you as well, if you would 16 rather, your Honor. 17 THE COURT: Yes. 18 Who prepared document 659? 19 THE WITNESS: That would have been my assistant? 20 THE COURT: All right. And did you prepare such 21 objectives and self-evaluations in the ordinary course of Dean 22 Foods' business?

THE WITNESS: Every year.

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THE COURT: And did you maintain this document in the ordinary course of Dean Foods' business?

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1 THE WITNESS: Yes.

THE COURT: All right. Coupled with the questions Mr. Berke asked, I think it meets the business record exception.

MR. GOLDMAN: Your Honor, OK. It is not maintained contemporaneously -- that's fine. We accept your ruling. OK.

MR. BERKE: Your Honor, may I publish it?

THE COURT: You may. Yes, it's been received.

(Defendant's Exhibit 659 received in evidence)

## BY MR. BERKE:

- Sir, this is -- again, this is the annual CEO objectives and self-evaluation. I think you said your assistant filled it out, but you gave her obviously the information to put in it, correct?
- A. Yes, sir. I would have written it and she would have typed it up.
  - I would like to go to number 4, back where we were. O. OK.

And, sir, if you would read number 4 for us, please?

Α. "Investment community rating: Below-target. management credibility with the firms that routinely evaluate Dean Foods.

"Despite the analysts current assessment of our firm's value and prospects, the investment community 1) clearly understands the forces affecting Dean's performance; 2) understands the company's strategy to address its issues; and

- 3) in general supports the company's efforts to transform its
  business. We have placed particular emphasis this past year on
  clearly communicating the company's issues and strategies to
  the investment community in order to retain their support for
- Nonetheless, the investment community's assessment of Dean
  Foods has turned decidedly negative during the year, leading to

an extended and sweeping transformation of the business.

- 8 a below-target rating."
  - Q. And that was your evaluation of the investment community and your communications with it, correct?
- 11 A. Yes.

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- Q. And then that's, just to be clear, the evaluation of you personally?
- 14 A. Of me personally, yes.
  - Q. And, sir, do you recall that in 2010, and thereafter, you personally, along with other people in Dean Foods' management, met with individual investors to try to better communicate the messages and the business of Dean Foods?
  - A. Yes. That was a regular part of my job.
  - Q. OK. And let me show you -- if I could publish what's already in evidence as Government Exhibit 1912B.
    - And, sir, Steve Kemps, somebody who is in -- do you remember Steve Kemps' position at Dean Foods?
- 24 A. He is general counsel.
- 25 | Q. And, sir, do you see where this talks about -- it is an

- 1 | email from Steve Kemps to the board, correct?
- $2 \parallel A$ . Yes, it is.
- 3 Q. And it is providing a J.P. Morgan research note on Dean
- 4 Foods, correct?
- 5 | A. Yes.
- 6 Q. And do you see where it says, "Dear board members: Earlier
- 7 | this week Gregg Engles and Barry Sievert, vice president
- 8 | investor relations, met with several investors in Boston.
- 9 | Following these meetings, J.P. Morgan analyst Terry Bivens
- 10 issued the attached research note. Gregg asked me to forward
- 11 | this to you to point out that these are important meetings. He
- 12 | wanted the board to have this excellent synopsis of the
- 13 | conversations."
- 14 And, sir, do you recall these meetings?
- 15 A. Vaquely, yes.
- 16 | Q. We could scroll down. And you recall at this particular
- 17 | meeting there was a JPMorgan analyst present who also did a
- 18 report?
- 19 A. Correct.
- 20 Q. And fair to say the report that he wrote generally reflects
- 21 | the -- what was discussed at the meeting, correct?
- 22 A. What he thought was important, yes.
- 23 \ Q. And the people who were invited to the meeting, do you see
- 24 | in the second line where it starts to say it was Fidelity, MFS,
- 25 | Wellington, Adage and Columbia, representing well over 25

- 1 | million shares currently held?
- 2 | A. Yes.
- Q. And fair to say these are sophisticated investors who
- 4 really understand the company?
- 5 A. Yes. I think that's fair.
- Q. And I think you already said these were investors that are going to be very familiar with the press releases, the earnings announcements and the investor calls because they're closely
- 9 | following such things, correct?
- 10 MR. GOLDMAN: Objection, your Honor.
- 11 THE COURT: Yes. Sustained.
- 12 Q. Do you expect these investors who are heavily invested in
- 13 | the company to be aware of all of those public statements?
- MR. GOLDMAN: Objection, your Honor. The same thing.
- 15 | THE COURT: That I'll overrule.
- 16 A. I expect them to be knowledgeable about the business and
- 17 | its issues.
- 18 | Q. And up to date, of course, correct?
- 19 | A. Typically they were up to date, yes.
- 20 Q. And if I could show you what's been marked for
- 21 | identification as Defense Exhibit 370 and 371. We can start
- 22 | with 370.
- 23 Sir, again, do you recognize that Barry Sievert would
- 24 often send analyst reports and the like to the board and they
- 25 | would appear like this?

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- BCC to the board? Q.
- 3 The board asked to be copied on -- or to be forwarded 4 analyst reports on a regular basis, usually once a quarter.

MR. BERKE: Your Honor, I'd offer Defense Exhibit 370.

THE COURT: Any objection?

MR. GOLDMAN: Yes. We object, your Honor. He is not on this email.

MR. BERKE: Your Honor --

THE COURT: I didn't hear the last words you said.

MR. GOLDMAN: He is not on this email, and he hasn't laid a proper foundation that he would have seen this.

MR. BERKE: Your Honor, I believe I established that what these emails reflect is that it is a BCC to the board, which this witness said he recognized as such.

MR. GOLDMAN: I don't know that the witness acknowledged that.

THE COURT: Why don't you try it again.

BY MR. BERKE: 19

- Q. Sir, you understood that this reflects Barry Sievert sending analyst reports to the board who were typically BCC'ed on these type of emails?
- 23 THE COURT: If you know, you know. If you don't know, 24 you don't know.
  - I don't know who this is to. It doesn't say. And I don't

- 1 know if Barry Sievert typically BCC'ed them or named them. I
  2 don't know that.
- 3 MR. BERKE: Give me a moment.
  - Q. Let me show you, for identification, Defense Exhibit 1009.
    - And you see that this is Barry Sievert. And if you go down lower -- well, actually, look to yourself. It is not in evidence.
    - Ms. McLeod, if you could make it a little smaller so the witness could see the page.
- 10 | A. OK.

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- 11 | Q. Well, sir --
- 12 A. What is your question?
- 13 Q. Let me do this. It may be more trouble than it is worth.
- 14 We will come back to this issue.
- You do recall, sir, that Barry Sievert regularly sent
- analyst reports to the board, including yourself, correct?
- 17 | A. I do, yes.
- 18 Q. OK. And I want to get back to this question of meeting
- 19 | with small groups. And can I ask you to look at Defense
- 20 Exhibit DX1063. And you recognize this to be for the March 5,
- 21 | 2008 Board of Directors meeting, fourth quarter and full year
- 22 | 2007 financial results?
- 23 | A. Yes, I do.
- MR. BERKE: OK. Your Honor, I would offer Defense
- 25 Exhibit 1063.

1 MR. GOLDMAN: No objection. THE COURT: Received. 2 (Defendant's Exhibit 1063 received in evidence) 3 4 MR. BERKE: I would like to publish on half the 5 screen, which we probably can -- oh, actually, before we do 6 that, let me get the other one into evidence that I want to 7 show side-by-side. Q. Could I also show you Defense Exhibit 1042, for 8 9 identification. 10 And you recognize that, sir, as a performance update 11 first quarter 2008 Board of Directors meeting May 22, 2008? 12 A. Yes, I do. 13 MR. BERKE: Your Honor, I would offer Defense Exhibit 14 1042. 15 MR. GOLDMAN: No objection. THE COURT: Received. 16 17 (Defendant's Exhibit 1042 received in evidence) MR. BERKE: Thank you, your Honor. 18 19 On 1063, could I publish at page 23. 20 Q. And, sir, do you see that that reflects the top ten holders 21 of Dean Foods' stock as of December 31, 2007? 22 Α. Yes, I do. 23 And you recognize the names there. They are very 24 sophisticated, large holders of Dean Foods?

I recognize most of them.

- 1 | Q. OK. If you just go to the next page, again, these reflect
- 2 | the top ten buyers of Dean Foods' stock, again, large
- 3 | institutional investors buying Dean Foods, correct?
- 4 | A. Yes.
- 5 | Q. OK. So we can just leave the top ten holders up on the
- 6 | left side, page 24. And on Defense Exhibit 1042, if we could
- 7 go to page 23. And you see, sir, that this reflects, in going
- 8 now back in time, 2008 stepped up investor relations
- 9 activities. Do you see that, sir?
- 10 | A. Yes.
- 11 Q. OK. And you see where this is going to be meetings of the
- 12 company with its largest investors, correct?
- 13 | A. Yes.
- 14 | Q. For example, if you look at -- you were going to meet on
- 15 | May 6 in Dallas with Manning & Napier, correct?
- 16 | A. Yes.
- 17 | Q. And if you look, Manning & Napier, on the left, is a very
- 18 | large holder of Dean Foods at this time, nearly 5 million
- 19 | shares, and you are meeting with them in person, correct?
- 20 | A. Yes.
- 21 | Q. If you look down again -- let's do a few. If you look
- 22 | down, May 15th in Boston, for example --
- 23 A. Can I just stop you right there?
- Q. Of course.
- 25 A. When you say you are meeting, that doesn't necessarily mean

- I'm meeting. I may well have. I don't recall at all. It could be the company is meeting.
- Q. The company -- management of the company is meeting with them, correct?
  - A. Yes. That's what this indicates, yes.
- 6 Q. I appreciate that clarification.
- 7 And you'll see in Boston there is the Boston Company?
- 8 | A. Yes.

- 9 Q. And if you go to the next page, 24, Defense Exhibit 42, you will see they are a top ten buyer. And then if you see also
- 11 | Fidelity and Wellington, who are top ten holders, page 23.
- 12 A. Am I reading this right, counsel, that the document on the
- 13 | left happens before the document on the right? Is that right?
- 14 | Q. All of these are -- yes. So if you go back to -- let me
- 15 show you. Go back. Go to the first page of Defense Exhibit
- 16 42.
- 17 | A. Mm-hmm.
- 18 Q. So you see that is the -- so you see we are talking about
- 19 | the first quarter 2008 were the meetings, and we're looking at
- 20 the end of 2007. Does that make sense?
- 21 A. Yes. Thank you.
- 22 | Q. OK. Again, not just to -- we don't have to do them all,
- 23 but if you look at the names, you recognize them, Brookside,
- 24 NFS. Again, these are some of the largest holders of Dean
- 25 Foods, correct?

- 1 A. Apparently so, yes.
- 2 | Q. And, sir, let me just do one other example I am going to
- 3 show you. Can I show you defense -- now I am going to ask you
- 4 | questions about all of these -- Defense Exhibit 1038.
- 5 | A. Sure.
- 6 Q. Sir, do you see that this is a board of directors' meeting
- 7 August 19, 2010, second quarter of 2010. So now we are going,
- 8 | just to be clear, we went from the first quarter of 2008
- 9 | showing throughout this period. Now we are at second quarter
- 10 of 2010. Do you see that, sir?
- 11 | A. I do.
- MR. BERKE: Your Honor, I would offer Defense Exhibit
- 13 | 1038.
- MR. GOLDMAN: No objection.
- 15 THE COURT: Received.
- 16 (Defendant's Exhibit 1038 received in evidence)
- MR. BERKE: May I publish, your Honor?
- 18 THE COURT: You may.
- MR. BERKE: Thank you.
- 20 Q. OK. That is the Board of Directors meeting.
- 21 | If we could now go to page 29. And so these are
- 22 | meetings August 11, New York City, meetings with 25
- 23 | high-quality investors, including a group lunch. Do you see
- 24 | that, sir?
- 25 A. Yes, I do.

- Q. And these are, again, one-on-one meetings. So this would be management of Dean Foods, some group of them, along with the individual investors, correct?
- 4 | A. Yes.
- Q. So Alliance Bernstein, which is identified as the third largest shareholder, 9 million shares, correct?
  - A. Yes.

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Q. Columbia Management, 1.6 million shares. Oppenheimer

Capital, 1.7 million shares.

Then you also -- you have the government of Singapore, but that would be fair to describe them as a potential investor but not a current investor?

- 13 | A. Right.
- Q. And then Lord Abbett, active recent buyer, 3 million shares.

And it would be fair to say, sir, these are examples of the type of individual meetings with large institutional investors that the management of Dean Foods would have throughout the time period of 2008 through 2012?

- A. Yes.
- Q. And they happen regularly but these are just a few of those, correct?
- 23 A. They happened from time to time, yes.
- 24 | Q. And you would often participate, correct?
- 25 A. I would sometimes participate, yes.

- Q. And I think you said that these meetings could be a little challenging, correct?
  - A. Umm --

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- Q. Let me go back to your direct.
  - I think you said that these are people who understand the company and they would understand essentially -- they would be up to date with what's going on in the company, correct?
- 8 A. Correct.
- 9 Q. Typically you wouldn't be there making a presentation; they
  10 would have questions, correct?
- 11 | A. Yes.
- Q. So you would be meeting in a conference room with investors who were smart, who understand all those factors I went
- 14 | through, and they would have questions for you, correct?
- 15 | A. Yes.
- 16 Q. And you would feel comfortable answering their questions
- and helping them understand their business without in any way
- disclosing information that you're not permitted to disclose,
- 19 | correct?
- 20 | A. Yes.
- 21 | Q. And these investors, you didn't go in there and just read a
- 22 press release or read an earnings report, correct?
- 23 | A. No.
- Q. Because they wouldn't need to meet with you, they could
- 25 | just get that off your website, correct?

- 1 | A. Sure.
- 2 | Q. They wanted to go deeper to understand more of what's
- 3 proper information to better evaluate all those factors we
- 4 | talked about and evaluate their investment in Dean Foods,
- 5 correct?
- 6 A. Correct.
- 7 | Q. And you felt, as well as other management at Dean Foods,
- 8 | that there is a whole host of information that you could share
- 9 to address some of the credibility and communications issues we
- 10 | talked about that was perfectly fair game, legal and proper, to
- 11 | help these investors better understand the company without
- 12 doing anything that was not legal, correct?
- 13 A. Correct.
- 14 | Q. And you, sir, you are an experienced professional and you
- 15 | were able to determine what was appropriate to disclose and
- 16 what was not, based on what you knew was already public and
- 17 | your own judgment, correct?
- 18 A. Yes. And there was always more than me sitting in the
- 19 room.
- 20 | Q. Right. There is you and other senior management typically
- 21 of Dean Foods who would answer other questions?
- 22 A. Yes.
- 23 \ Q. And am I correct, sir, that sometimes, for example, the
- 24 | CFO, the chief financial officer, would attend if people had
- 25 | very specific questions about the balance sheet or the earnings

1 | releases?

- 2 A. Or sometimes he was the chief spokesman. I wasn't there.
- 3 | Sometimes he went.
- 4 | Q. Right. But sometimes they would have questions about the
- 5 | milk business, technical questions, some of the factors, and
- 6 you would address it to the best of your ability, correct?
- 7 A. Yes.
- 8 | Q. And I think you said that you not once remember a situation
- 9 where you were concerned that in all these meetings with these
- 10 sophisticated investors that you or anyone else went over the
- 11 | line and disclosed too much so that you had to issue a press
- 12 | release afterwards because you went over that line of what you
- could talk about? You know that didn't happen because you knew
- 14 what to say and you stuck to what you understood was proper and
- 15 | legal, correct?
- 16 A. That's my recollection, yes.
- 17 | Q. Now, and it's true, sir, that do you recall that Tom Davis
- 18 | and the other board members were kept apprised of your meetings
- 19 | with individual investors such as we've seen in some of the
- 20 | exhibits we went through, correct?
- 21 A. Yes. I believe we gave a report like that at virtually
- 22 | every board meeting.
- 23 | Q. And is it also fair that -- if you recall, that the -- that
- 24 | investor relations tried to communicate to the Board of
- 25 Directors what the company was sharing with analysts and other

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- 1 | investors, substantively?
- 2 | A. Yes.
- 3 Q. And it was your goal and management's goal and investor
- 4 | relations' goal, as much as possible, to give the board, to the
- 5 extent possible, a perfect view of your communications with
- 6 | investors?

- A. I think "perfect" would be overstating it.
- 8 Q. That's the goal, anyway?
- 9 A. We wanted the board to understand what our conversations
- 10 | with the investment community were.
- 11 | Q. And you generally took steps to do that, correct, sir?
- 12 A. Yes.
- 13 Q. Sir, I'd like to ask you about Eric Katzman.
- 14 A. OK.
- 15 | Q. He was the analyst for -- at Deutsche Bank during, again,
- 16 | the time period we care about 2008/2012, correct?
- 17 A. Yes, he was.
- 18 | Q. And I know the numbers change, but, again, most of the time
- 19 | roughly 20 analysts covered the stock?
- 20 A. Basically, yes.
- 21 Q. And you thought he was the best?
- 22 A. I thought he was very good.
- 23 | Q. Do you recall expressing the view that you thought he was
- 24 | the best?
- 25 A. I don't recall that but I might have.

- Q. Let me show you -- if I can show the witness a document marked 3509-11?
- And first I just want you to see the first page so
  that you can see what it is. Can you just look at the very
  top, sir, just to yourself just so you can see what it is. I
- am going to refer you to a specific page when you are ready.
- 7 | A. OK.
- Q. OK. Now I would like you to go to page 2, first full paragraph.
- 10 | A. OK.
- Q. Sir, my question is does that refresh your recollection that you had previously characterized Mr. Katzman as the best analyst that covered Dean Foods?
- 14 | A. Yes --
- THE COURT: Pause. Pause.
- 16 Remember what I told you.
- 17 THE WITNESS: I do.
- 18 THE COURT: You look at it and you see whether it 19 refreshes your recollection.
- THE WITNESS: It does refresh my recollection, yes.
- 21 | Thank you.
- 22 BY MR. BERKE:
- 23 || Q. And do you recall expressing that view, sir?
- 24 A. Yes, I do.
- 25 | Q. And I get it, whether the best or nearly the best, but,

- 1 roughly, you thought he was better than everyone else or at
  2 least --
- 3 A. He was a very good analyst.
- 4 | Q. OK. And you thought that he understood market speak,
- 5 | correct?
- 6 A. Yes.

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- Q. Explain to me, sir, what that means.
- 8 A. Market speak is I guess a colloquialism for --

THE COURT: You mean like slang?

THE WITNESS: Yeah, a little bit.

THE COURT: OK. Go ahead.

- 12 | A. In the sense that sometimes you meant more than you said or
- 13 wrote in words. All right? So if I were to say to you it's
- 14 | lunchtime, or if I were to say to you it's time to eat, and
- 15 | either one of those things you might understand me to say I'm
- 16 | hungry. All right? So market speak would be analysts parsing
- 17 | through your words and phrases and what you wrote and maybe
- 18 coming to a conclusion that was not what you necessarily wrote
- 19 or said.
- 20 | Q. And so it would be fair to say --
- 21 THE COURT: Or intended?
- 22 | THE WITNESS: Sometimes not intended, sometimes
- 23 | intended.
- 24 Q. But often intended, correct?
- 25 A. Sometimes, yes.

- 1 Q. And so what you meant, is it is fair to say that you meant
- 2 he was an analyst who could pick up subtle clues when you made
- 3 statements?
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 | Q. Have you heard the phrase "tell" before, sir? I could
- 6 | tell?
- 7 A. Like in a gambling tell?
- 8 | Q. Like in gambling or poker.
- 9 A. Yes, I have heard the phrase.
- 10 | Q. Is it fair to say that somebody could pick up a tell that
- 11 | you might be trying to convey or not trying to convey?
- 12 A. He was a very astute analyst.
- 13 | Q. So would that be a yes, generally yes?
- 14 | A. Yeah, he was a guy that could read the tea leaves.
- 15 | Q. And that made him very effective in understanding how Dean
- 16 Foods was performing and may perform in the future; fair to
- 17 | say?
- 18 A. He was a very good analyst.
- 19 Q. Is it fair to say, sir, that there were investors who were
- 20 | also better at picking up subtle clues that may be conveyed by
- 21 | you or others in management about the performance of the
- 22 | company?
- 23 A. Of course.
- 24 | Q. I want to just, as an example, I want to ask you about one.
- 25 You know an investor named David Tepper, correct?

- 1 Well, I don't know him personally but I know who he is and I know his firm. 2
- 3 And he has a -- he and his firm, Appaloosa, correct?
- Yes. 4 Α.

- 5 I might not be pronouncing it exactly right, but you will correct me?
- 7 I think it is exactly right.
- And David Tepper is someone who has a reputation as an 8 OK. 9 astute investor who often can pick up clues and tells from
- 10 companies, particularly those he sees as undervalued, correct?
- 11 Α. Yes.
- 12 And I think you talked about that there was in late
- 13 2010/early 2011 a challenging time at the company, correct?
- 14 Yes. Α.
- 15 Q. Stock price of Dean Foods was beaten down, correct?
- 16 Α. Yes.
- 17 And you recall that David Tepper's firm Appaloosa, they
- 18 were interested in potentially an investment in the firm,
- 19 correct?
- 20 Α. Correct.
- 21 And do you recall, sir, that they reached out to you
- 22 personally? They started to buy your shares, so they were an
- 23 active investor, and then they reached out to you to have
- 24 discussions with you to understand the company; fair to say?
- 25 They notified us that they owned shares, and they Yes.

- 1 | said that they would like to have a conversation with us.
- 2 | Q. And they were a very big fund, correct?
- 3 A. Well, I can't speak to relative size. They're not nearly
- 4 as big as Fidelity but they were a meaningful investor.
- 5 | Q. They had some money behind them?
- 6 A. Yes, they were a real investor.
- 7 Q. And you testified on direct about during this time period
- 8 | your concerns about activist investors, correct?
- 9 A. Yes.
- 10  $\parallel$  Q. And you described that as well. But would it be fair to
- 11 | say that activist investors are often very active in wanting to
- 12 do things different than what management wants?
- 13 A. Yes. That is their basic stock and trade, right. They
- 14 want to change the direction of a company or cause it to take
- 15 an action that it's not taking or stop taking actions it is
- 16 | taking.
- 17 | Q. And sometimes they want to change management and replace
- 18 the senior management?
- 19 | A. Sure.
- 20 | Q. And when you saw Appaloosa starting to build a position and
- 21 | they reached out to you, is it fair to say, sir, that you had a
- 22 concern that they may be an activist investor looking to take a
- 23 | big stake in Dean Foods to start making changes that you might
- 24 | not agree with?
- 25 A. Well, they are an activist investor. And I was -- I was

- not concerned that they would want to change management, but I
  think it's fair to say nobody really wants an activist investor
  in their stock.
  - Q. Let's just be -- for the benefit of the jury, if I could just break that down a little bit?
  - A. Sure.

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- Q. So when you say they are an activist investor, you mean they very frequently invest in stocks with the goal of having the company make decisions that is different from what the current management wants to do?
- A. Yes. They often encourage companies, at least my understanding, to change course.
  - Q. And the concern would be that if they came to your company as an activist investor, they would seek to make different decisions, say, about WhiteWave or other parts of the business than you and your management team wanted; fair statement?
- A. No, not a fair statement.
- 18 Q. Tell me why.
  - A. Because the changes that they would want to make, in your question, are changes that we also believe were appropriate changes.
    - Q. OK. Well, let me not be so granular, then, in my question.

      The only point I'm making is you, I think you said on direct, you were not looking for an activist investor to come in and tell you what to do, correct?

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- 1 Yes, because we wanted, as the management team, to make those changes and do those activities that would create value 2 3 for our shareholders.
  - And I think you said no management team wants an activist investor to come in?
  - Α. No, of course not.
  - So when they first started talking to you about your business and they were starting to build a position in shares in your business, is it fair to say that part of your goal in talking to them was to help persuade them that you're on the right path and you have the right view for the business? I think we need to step back because the presumption of Αt

your question, at least to my recollection, is not correct. least I don't recall what your question implies as being a conversation that had multiple parts.

I believe that Appaloosa called us. They told us that they had taken a stake. They wanted to have a meeting with us. And to my recollection we had one meeting with Appaloosa, not a conversation.

- OK. Let me show you Defense Exhibit 1124, if I can.
- 21 Α. Sure.
- 22 And do you recognize this, sir, as two emails, one 23 from Tom Davis to you and then a return email from you to Tom 24 Davis from January 7, 2011?
- 25 Yes. Α.

MR. BERKE: 1 Your Honor, I would offer Defense Exhibit 2 1124. 3 THE COURT: Any objection? 4 MR. GOLDMAN: No objection. 5 THE COURT: Received. (Defendant's Exhibit 1124 received in evidence) 6 7 MR. BERKE: May I publish it? And do you see, are you aware, to sort of tell more of what 8 9 happened, but there was a point in time when Appaloosa's 10 investment in Dean Foods became public, correct? 11 I don't recall that but it is entirely possible. 12 Ο. Let me first deal with this email. 13 You see this is an email from Tom Davis to you. 14 And if we could just enlarge the bottom part. 15 January 7th. It says, "Did you know anything about Appaloosa before today? Interesting investment. Happy new 16 year. 17 TD." 18 And then if we go to your response. 19 If you could read that, sir? 20 "Tom. We have had several conversations with Appaloosa 21 over the last few months. They have been accumulating this 22 position. They called yesterday to give us a heads up, said 23 they supported our strategy, and wished us luck. We will see, 24 but it feels like a normal hedge fund investment for now."

So let me ask you this. Do you see where you said,

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OK.

- 1 Mr. Davis, we had several conversations with Appaloosa over the 2 last few months?
- 3 A. Yes, I do see that.
- 4 Q. And do you recall, sir, that you had had several
- 5 conversations with them?
- A. I did not have conversations with them. The "we" is -- is
  a reference, apparently, to the company, and I would be
  guessing what happened here.

THE COURT: Don't guess.

- Q. Let me ask you a question.
- 11 | A. OK.

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- Q. Again, so if not you personally, is it your understanding that management had conversations with Appaloosa over the past
- 14 several months?
- 15 | A. I came to know that at the time of this email.
- Q. So you are saying you became aware of it at the time you wrote this email, which is why you described it?
- 18 A. Yes. Well, they called us yesterday to give us a heads up.
- 19 My recollection is that is when I heard that Appaloosa,
- 20 probably because that's when they told us the amount of shares
- 21 | that they had been buying and accumulating our position. But
- 22 apparently they had been talking to Barry Sievert or somebody
- 23 else in the investment relations world.
- 24 And they are not just an activist investor, they are a 25 big hedge fund and they make investments. So, big investors

- called investor relations all the time to talk about the company.
- Q. Right. And those conversations are about the company and all the factors we talked about before, correct?
  - A. Yes.

- Q. And do you, sir, remember that you yourself participated in
- 7 | at least one call, and maybe it was this call you're
- 8 referencing, where you described the business -- discussed the
- 9 business with somebody from Appaloosa as well as WhiteWave?
- 10 A. Yes, and -- but it was after this email. So this email
- 11 | exchange happened because, as you just said, Appaloosa made
- 12 | their ownership stake public. Right? And they called us to
- 13 | tell us it was going to become public before they put their
- 14 press release out, and that's when I learned of whatever
- 15 conversations our group had been having with them.
- 16 Q. Right. You understood that they were taking a stake in the
- 17 company that was big enough that they had to disclose it,
- 18 | correct?
- 19 A. Sometimes they don't have to disclose it; sometimes they
- 20 | just choose to disclose it.
- 21 | Q. Do you recall the stake was over 7 percent?
- 22 | A. I do not recall that but it doesn't surprise me.
- Q. OK. Well, let me show you -- well, it was a substantial
- 24 stake in the company, correct?
- 25 MR. GOLDMAN: Can we clarify what the 7 percent

- 1 | relates to?
- 2 BY MR. BERKE:
- 3 Q. Well, do you recall that they had a substantial stake,
- 4 greater than 5 percent ownership of all the shares of Dean
- 5 Foods?
- 6 A. I recall they owned a significant amount of the shares of
- 7 Dean Foods.
- 8 | Q. When you say "significant," do you recall whether it was
- 9 more than 5 percent?
- 10 A. I don't recall that, but it was a significant stake. They
- 11 were a big shareholder.
- 12 | Q. All right. Let me show you and see if it refreshes your
- 13 | recollection -- well, your recollection. Can I show you
- 14 Defense Exhibit 2171?
- 15 | A. Sure.
- 16 Q. Thank you.
- I ask you, sir, does that refresh your memory that
- 18 | they took a substantial stake, of over 7 percent, in Dean Foods
- 19 | in January 2011?
- 20 A. No, it doesn't refresh my memory, but I can see they had a
- 21 | big stake.
- 22 | Q. OK, it was substantial. Fair enough.
- 23 And do you recall, sir, that when you personally spoke
- 24 to them, that you discussed with them the WhiteWave spin-off?
- 25 | THE COURT: Rephrase your question. What do you mean

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- 1 | by the "WhiteWave spin-off"?
- 2 MR. BERKE: Well, fair question, your Honor. Thank 3 you.
  - Q. Do you recall that you discussed with them the potential WhiteWave spin-off?
  - A. I recall having a conversation with Appaloosa in which we discussed WhiteWave and the strength of its business and its value to the Dean Foods shareholders, and we may well have talked about the possibility of a spin-off. He may have asked me. But I do not recall whether the nature of that discussion. I'm sure we talked about WhiteWave.
  - Q. Do you recall, sir, that earlier this month, in March -- withdrawn.

Do you recall, sir, in a prior meeting you had with the FBI, indicating that you in fact did tell him -- discuss with Appaloosa, let's say, the potential WhiteWave transaction?

THE COURT: No. No. If you want to refresh his recollection with a document, show him the document. Don't characterize the document. Just show him the document.

MR. BERKE: Of course.

Can I show Mr. Engles what is marked as 3509-11, and, first, let me first show Mr. Engles what it is.

- Q. Directing you just at the top, sir, so you can see what it is.
- A. Yes. I see what it is.

- 1 | Q. And now if I can go to the middle of the third paragraph.
- 2 | A. Yes.
- 3 Q. OK. Is it now your recollection, sir, that you believed
- 4 you discussed the potential WhiteWave spin-off in your meeting
- 5 | with Appaloosa?
- THE COURT: All right. Now, having looked at it, the
- 7 question is does that refresh your recollection?
- 8 THE WITNESS: Yes. I didn't need this to refresh my
- 9 recollection. The difficulty I'm having with the question is
- 10 | that it's presuming that this one sentence from this interview
- 11 | is an accurate way to characterize the whole conversation.
- 12 So, if I might, clearly WhiteWave was a focus of our
- 13 conversations with the market generally and with investors
- 14 generally. They often asked us whether we would or could
- 15 | spin-off WhiteWave. We always said that if the value of
- 16 | WhiteWave stock was not reflected in Dean Foods' share price,
- 17 | we could spin off WhiteWave, and I would have absolutely
- 18 | told -- it was not Mr. Tepper, it was an individual from his
- 19 | firm that we could potentially spin off WhiteWave.
- 20 | O. Sir --
- 21 A. So that's absolutely true.
- 22 | Q. OK. And, sir, am I right that it was perfectly proper --
- 23 | A. Yes.
- 24 | Q. -- and legal for you to discuss at this one-on-one meeting
- 25 | just between you and Appaloosa the potential WhiteWave spin-off

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- 1 | in January 2011? Perfectly fine?
- 2 A. Yes. I would characterize it as the potential for
- 3 WhiteWave or Dean to spin off WhiteWave.
- 4 Q. Perfectly appropriate? Perfectly fine?
- 5 A. Absolutely.
- 6 Q. Do you recall, sir, that in 2011 Dean Foods did improve so
- 7 | that by May 2011 from January, the price of the stock had gone
- 8 up roughly 40 percent?
- 9 A. I don't recall those stock movements, but, yes, the
- 10 business got better as we moved through 2011.
- 11 | Q. Well, sir, do you recall that the Appaloosa investment,
- 12 | again, from January 2011, that's substantial, and it went up
- 13 | approximately 40 percent?
- 14 A. I don't have a specific recollection of that because they
- 15 | make a lot more noise on the way in than they do on the way
- 16 | out.
- 17 | Q. I hear that, Mr. Engles.
- Let me show you Defense Exhibit 2172. And if you
- 19 | would just look at this to yourself, see what it is.
- 20 | A. Yes.
- 21 | Q. And read the first two paragraphs.
- 22 THE COURT: To yourself.
- MR. BERKE: To yourself.
- 24 I'm sorry. Thank you, Judge.
- 25 A. OK. I've read them to myself.

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- And my question is, sir, not if you read it, but does that 1 refresh your recollection that they made a very substantial and 2 3 more than 40 percent profit?
  - MR. GOLDMAN: Sorry, your Honor. It is a different question than he asked before.

MR. BERKE: I don't think it is.

- MR. GOLDMAN: Are you asking whether Appaloosa made a 40 percent profit, or whether Dean Foods' stock went up by 40 percent?
- BY MR. BERKE:
- Well, you understood that Appaloosa -- did you understand that Appaloosa made more than a 40 percent profit?
- No, I did not. Α.
- 14 Did you understand they made a very substantial profit?
  - I have no idea how much money they made because I don't know when they sold their stock and I don't know the price at which they bought their stock. So without knowing where they bought or where they sold, they could have if they sold at the
- top, but I have no idea when they bought their stock and when 19 20
- they sold it.
- 21 THE COURT: Don't speculate, sir.
- 22 THE WITNESS: OK.
- 23 You do know, though, sir, that the price of the stock went 24 up from January to May very substantially, correct?
  - Well, yes. My recollection is refreshed on that.

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- Q. And so they're correct that from January to May, that was simply because they made the proper analysis of all the factors we talked about and got it right, correct?
  - MR. GOLDMAN: Objection, your Honor.
- THE COURT: Sustained.
  - Q. It was not because you said anything to them that was in any way improper that you shouldn't have, correct?
    - MR. GOLDMAN: Objection, your Honor.
    - THE COURT: Sustained.
- 10 BY MR. BERKE:
- 11 Q. You had no basis to think that -- well, withdrawn. Fair enough.
- Now I want to talk more about WhiteWave, and I want to
  go into some other periods than we talked about in terms of
  WhiteWave existed as part of Dean Foods for a significant
- 16 period of time, correct?
- 17 | A. Yes.
- 18 | Q. Prior to the 2008/2012 period?
- 19 A. Yes, during all of that period.
- 20 | Q. And do you recall that even going back to 2006, people were
- 21 sort of interested in the potential of a WhiteWave separation
- 22 | from Dean Foods?
- 23 | A. I don't know when it really began, but certainly it became
- 24 | a topic when we started reporting WhiteWave separately in our
- 25 | financial statements.

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- Q. Can I show you what's been marked as Defense Exhibit 2068, for identification.
  - Sir, do you recognize this or see this as a second quarter 2006 earnings call?
  - A. Yes, I do.
  - Q. For Dean Foods?
- 7 MR. BERKE: Your Honor, I offer into evidence Defense 8 Exhibit 2068.
  - MR. GOLDMAN: No objection.
- 10 THE COURT: Received.
- 11 (Defendant's Exhibit 2068 received in evidence)
- 12 | MR. BERKE: Thank you, your Honor.
- If I may publish it?
- 14 And if we could go to page 12.
- 15 | Q. And I'd like to show you the question by Pablo Zuanic?
- 16 A. Pablo Zuanic.
- 17 | Q. Thank you. Do you know who that was, or is?
- 18 | A. Yes.
- 19 | Q. Who is that?
- 20 A. He is a securities analyst. I don't recall who he works
- 21 | for, but a securities analyst that also covered Dean Foods.
- 22 | Q. OK. Again, this is, as we saw before, August 2, 2006, he
- 23 | asked: "And just one very last Gregg. How should I interpret
- 24 | it, from outside it seems to me that you could do a lot more in
- 25 | terms of trying to integrate the Dairy Group business with

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WhiteWave on the manufacturing side and on the distribution side. Clearly you are moving away from that. How should I think about that? I would have thought that there would be some synergies there on the distribution and manufacturing side."

- A. Yes.
- Q. And, sir, will you read your answer?
- "Well, actually, actually the reality is the opposite is The manufacturing processes and the distribution network for WhiteWave are distinct to a large degree from what happens today in the Dairy Group. The WhiteWave products tend to be long shelf life, so it is a different processing technology, and they tend to be warehouse distributed, whereas the Dairy Group products tend to be shorter shelf life, pasteurization and DSD distributed. And so consolidating the branded products into a branded manufacturing infrastructure has allowed us to make the right kind of investments in technology and to obtain the right sorts of run lengths and efficiencies in the manufacturing facility in order to maximize the profitability of that business. So we take orders separately. through a different distribution channel, and we have moved to what we believe is the optimal manufacturing infrastructure between WhiteWave and the Dairy Group."
- Q. And, sir, do you recall that on that very day, and the next day, analysts interpreted that answer and made predictions that

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- 1 WhiteWave would be spun off in the near term?
- A. I don't recall that but it -- I don't recall that but it doesn't surprise me.
  - Q. Can I show you, for identification, Defense Exhibit 1070?

    And first I want you to see what it is.
  - MR. BERKE: Just go a little higher, Ms. McLeod, just to show the witness what it is. OK.
  - A. Yes.

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- Q. So you see what it is.
- Now I want to direct you to page 6. You saw the date of it as well, correct, upper left corner?
- 12 A. August 3, 2006.
- Q. Yes. And that was the same day as the earnings call that we just reviewed?
- 15 | A. Yes.
  - Q. And, again, please read to yourself, if we could go to page
- 17 | 6. And do you see -- and I would ask you to read that to yourself.
  - (Pause)
- 20 My question for you, sir, is does that refresh your
  21 memory that, roughly on the same day you had answered the
  22 question on the earnings call, an analyst was predicting that
- 23 WhiteWave would be spun off in the near term?
- A. No. This is ten years ago. I don't have any recollection of this.

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OK. Do you recall that during this earlier period of time 1 at various points in time analysts would -- withdrawn. 2 3 Do you recall, sir, that, again, during the pre-2008 4 time period, there were periods where analysts made predictions 5 that WhiteWave would be spun off? A. I don't recall that. 6 7 Well, let me show you a document that's marked for identification as Defense Exhibit 1089. 8 9 And, sir, do you recognize that as an email from Jack 10 Callahan and others -- Jack Callahan to others, including 11 yourself, dated September 26, 2007? 12 I do recognize that, yes. 13 MR. BERKE: And, your Honor, I would offer Defense 14 Exhibit 1092. 15 MR. GOLDMAN: No objection. 16 MR. BERKE: I'm sorry. 17 THE COURT: Any objection? 18 MR. GOLDMAN: As long as he is just offering this one 19 document and not the attachments, we don't object. 20 THE COURT: All right. 21 MR. BERKE: For now. 22 THE COURT: Received without the attachments. 23 (Defendant's Exhibit 1089 without attachments received 24 in evidence)

MR. BERKE: May I publish it, your Honor?

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1 THE COURT: You may.

2 MR. BERKE: Thank you.

- BY MR. BERKE:
- 4 | Q. So -- and who is Jack Callahan, sir?
- 5 A. He was at the time our chief financial officer at Dean
- 6 Foods.

- 7 Q. OK. And you see that this relates to Dean Foods Audit
- 8 | Committee conference call?
- 9 | A. Yes.
- 10 Q. The first paragraph.
- 11 | A. Yes.
- MR. BERKE: And then if we could highlight the bottom
- 13 | that says there are three attachments, and just enlarge it,
- 14 | right. I'm sorry. Thank you, Ms. McLeod.
- 15 | Q. It says there are three attachments. Do you see where it
- 16 | says the third attachment is a sell side analyst report by
- 17 | Terry Bivens of Bear Stearns who downgraded the stock to "peer
- 18 perform" this week. Terry is a long time supporter. The
- 19 report provides a good external view on the challenges facing
- 20 | the business; however, he, like the rest of Wall Street,
- 21 underestimates the magnitude of the impact on near term
- 22 performance.
- 23 | A. Yes.
- 24 | Q. Again, Terry Bivens is an analyst at Bear Stearns, correct?
- 25 A. Correct.

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- And you described essentially the three general choices for 1 analysts -- buy, sell, hold -- and peer perform is one of those 2
- 3 three. Do you recall which one?
- 4 That would be hold. Α.
- 5 That would be hold. You are performing on peer -- on par
- 6 with your peers, correct?
- 7 Α. Yes.
- And, your Honor, I was now planning on showing the 8 OK.
- 9 witness the attachment, for identification. I recognize there
- 10 has been an objection, and also that -- but if your Honor would
- 11 like, I will proceed and --
- THE COURT: As you are speaking, the clock on my phone 12
- 13 is at 4:59. So if you want to go on -- it is 5 o'clock.
- 14 you go.
- 15 MR. BERKE: So suspenseful.
- Saved by the bell. 16 THE COURT:
- 17 So, ladies and gentlemen, some of you I met on Monday.
- 18 I feel like I've known you a significant part of my life.
- 19 Others of you I knew -- first met on Wednesday. We went
- 20 through a pseudo-blizzard together, and you have been wonderful
- 21 in your attentiveness.
- 22 This is our last day of sitting this week. We are
- 23 going to pick up at 10 a.m. on Monday. Monday, of course there
- 24 is more traffic on Mondays than on other days of the week, so
- 25 do what you can to accommodate that. We want to get a good

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start, if we can.

And it's especially important as we come up on the weekend that when you are having a cup of coffee on Sunday morning or whatever -- maybe you will be having a glass of milk, I don't know, but that you not discuss the case with anyone, that you refrain from any electronic communications about the case, and refrain from any research.

I hope you have a great weekend, and I'll see you on Monday morning.

Thank you, ladies and gentlemen.

A JUROR: Feel better, sir.

THE COURT: Thank you.

A JUROR: Feel better.

THE COURT: Thanks.

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1 (Jury not present) THE COURT: Please be seated. 2

If you want to -- do you want to put it in a short letter, your objection?

MR. GOLDMAN: Our objection?

THE COURT: Yes.

MR. GOLDMAN: We could put in a letter in or we could discuss it very briefly.

THE COURT: Go ahead. What is it?

MR. GOLDMAN: It is a page 15 paragraph. I assume what he is trying to get in is the statement that, "We believe eventually shareholders will be rewarded by owning the DF shares. Not only is this one of the better managed companies, but there is the potential for a value-creating spin-off of the WhiteWave division."

And I will let the witness leave.

THE COURT: Yes.

(Witness not present)

THE COURT: Go ahead.

MR. GOLDMAN: So, your Honor, this is exactly what we are talking about, the distinction between what is a public fact and what is a somewhat speculation or rumor analysis by an analyst that is relevant to Mr. Walters' state of mind if he can show that he saw this. There is nothing that indicates a public fact about the spin-off in this analyst report, and,

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therefore, it is not -- it does not contradict our argument
that the spin-off was confidential.

THE COURT: Let me hear the words again.

MR. GOLDMAN: "Not only is this one of the better

MR. GOLDMAN: "Not only is this one of the better managed companies, but there is the potential for a value-creating spin-off of the WhiteWave division."

THE COURT: Yes.

MR. BERKE: Your Honor, may I?

THE COURT: Go ahead.

MR. BERKE: I'm not putting it in for Mr. Walters' state of mind. That is not the issue.

THE COURT: No. I don't think the government thought you were. But what are you putting it in for?

MR. BERKE: It is really two-fold. So, you know, it is produced by the CFO of Dean Foods to the board's audit committee, and he says that this provides a good — and this is the exhibit that is in evidence, 1089, and number 3. It says that the report provides a good external view on the challenges facing the business and says the rest — however, he, like the rest of the Wall Street, underestimates the magnitude of the impact of near-term performance.

So, first, there is a dialogue going on between the company and the analyst, and this one in particular is being shared with Mr. Engles by the CFO as an example of the challenges they face. So in that regard what he's saying is

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not being offered for the truth of the matter but to provide support for what Mr. Callahan is saying about how they need to address and deal with some of the problems they have from external challenges.

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It also, as Mr. Engles said, that he often made comments that were picked up, intentionally or unintentionally, and interpreted in a certain way by astute analysts. And what I was asking him about is did his comments that he had made the month prior in August about the separateness of the two businesses, had that been picked up by analysts in thinking the separation — this is not a question of whether what the government alleged was leaked. We dispute it was ever leaked. This is telling the longer WhiteWave story that continued for a long period of time, and it is to add context to some of the documents the government put in.

And there is no question that there is a back and forth between the management of Dean Foods and the investment community about WhiteWave over an extended period of time that's important to understand in interpreting the later comments and how they may impact on other facts that obviously are either in evidence or will be in evidence. So for this, this doesn't relate directly to any alleged tip or the like. What it relates to is how the company is sending messages I believe in the analyst calls or, I'm sorry, the investor calls at various points and how they're responding to and addressing

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the analysts on this WhiteWave issue. And there will be more 1 of it, but I think it is clear, your Honor, that there is a 2 3 long back and forth that I think this witness will be able to 4 address as well as it gets into the 2008 to 2012 period. 5 THE COURT: Well, he received this report, did he not? 6 MR. BERKE: He did. 7 It was given to him? THE COURT: MR. BERKE: He did. It was. 8 9 MR. GOLDMAN: But, your Honor, we will ask to lay a 10 foundation as to whether he saw this, because we expect that he 11 would testify that he received numerous attachments that he 12 never looked at and would --13 THE COURT: Let's find out the answer to that. 14 MR. GOLDMAN: OK. THE COURT: We'll find out next week. 15 MR. GOLDMAN: We'll find that out. 16 17 But separately, your Honor, if Mr. Berke wants to get 18 into the back and forth in terms of how the analysts interpreted what Mr. Engles said, he can call Pablo Zuanic, the 19 20 guy who wrote this analyst report, and ask him what he thought

But Mr. Engles is purely speculating about what the market would have interpreted, and this very vague, speculative analysis is precisely something that Mr. Engles is not equipped or is not properly placed to comment on. And that's the basis

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of our objection.

Your Honor --MR. BERKE:

THE COURT: Why isn't your remedy to call the analyst and have him come in and testify as to what he said, what he thought, and why he thought it?

MR. BERKE: Your Honor, we could. I have to tell you that we -- I think there are at least a dozen, if not more, analysts who have reports that could be relevant. We could do it. It would lengthen this trial. Our goal is not to do that. We think it is relevant that this person asked a question, and we have more of those, if that's how your Honor wanted to proceed.

But I do think it is fair, Judge, because, as you will see, over time -- and it will add a lot more meat to the bones that the government had -- the company is at various points talking about this WhiteWave spin-off in different contexts that explains how they view WhiteWave and they are having this dialogue communication with the investment community that could not be clearer.

I didn't show him analyst reports that he didn't receive because we have ones that I asked him that he didn't remember. I am showing him the one that the CFO himself -- I think it can come in as a business record, frankly, your Honor. The CFO is sending material to the audit committee. government is sending en masse anything that was sent to the

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audit committee --

THE COURT: You still have a hearsay within hearsay problem.

MR. BERKE: Not offered for the truth, your Honor.

Offered that the company was aware in 2006 that the answer to that analyst question and investor call is being interpreted as sending a message about WhiteWave, rightly or wrongly.

THE COURT: Why is that a relevant fact?

MR. BERKE: I think it is a relevant fact, your Honor, to understand the subsequent comments about WhiteWave and how they deal with the investor demand about WhiteWave. WhiteWave was the biggest issue facing this company. They addressed it in a variety of contexts, and they were aware that for so many analysts, how they were treating the stock in terms of what they recommended directly correlated with what they saw as the potential for a WhiteWave spin-off. It is just fact. It's part of the story. And, your Honor, I think to understand it, it is necessary to get into some of the analyst statements, especially when the witness saw it himself.

THE COURT: I will give you my tentative read on this.

A statement by an analyst of the analyst's awareness of certain information may go to the question of whether that information was nonpublic. If he says, gee, I learned the earnings are going to be up this quarter, they're going to be above expectations, that goes to the question of whether the

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1 company treated it as nonpublic information.

This is a step -- a considerable step removed, where the analyst is surmising, if you will, reading tea leaves at best, and you can get that in by calling that witness. Listen, I don't want to prolong the trial any more than anybody else, but in that situation there can be fair cross-examination. What did you base that on? Were you just spit-balling, or did you have anything serious to go on?

So, that's my tentative ruling. And anybody who wants to send me anything, you are welcome to do it. I'm not going to stop you. You have enough other things to do. And I'm not requiring it. But that's my tentative ruling.

MR. BERKE: Thank you, Judge.

THE COURT: All right. Have a great weekend. Have a productive day tomorrow. I suspect for some lawyers in this courtroom, including prosecutors and defense counsel, this may not be the only case they are working on. And so I'll see you on Monday morning.

MR. BERKE: Thank you, Judge. Feel better.

MR. GOLDMAN: Thank you, Judge. Feel better.

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